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Another CTA elevated train derails

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Mysterious ball a 'Chinese puzzle'

The mysterious metal ball found in a remote area of Florida, appeared to be man-made, "Chinese puzzle" an astronomer expert said yesterday. Dr. J. Allen Hynek, head of Northwestern University's astronomy department and a known UFO watcher had just returned from a visit to New Orleans where he and other colleagues studied the object.

Legislative reformers lack signatures

Reformers who want to reduce the size of the Illinois Legislature said yesterday they may not get enough signatures to get the issue on the November ballot. The committee for legislative reform said the group is about 75,000 names shy of the needed 375,000.

First National hikes prime rate

The First National Bank of Chicago yesterday raised the interest rate for prime business loans to larger customers to 10.4 per cent from 10.1 per cent. This is above the prevailing average prime rate of 10.1 per cent announced last week by an Atlanta bank.

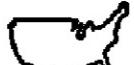
Allstate Mortgage fined \$33,000

A judge yesterday fined the Allstate Mortgage Corp. \$33,000 for bilking at least 24 Chicago area homeowners by misstating commission fees of homes refinanced with FHA loans. Judge Prentice Marshall sentenced the firm's president Charles Karp to two years in prison. The corporation is not affiliated with Allstate Insurance Co.

The world 

Name Rabin to succeed Golda Meir

In Tel Aviv yesterday, Labor Minister Yitzhak Rabin, a former chief of staff and ambassador to the United States, won the nomination of his ruling Labor Party to succeed Mrs. Golda Meir as prime minister of Israel. He said however, he expects problems in forming a new government coalition. On the battlefield, Israeli and Syrian warplanes went back into action over the Golan Heights while ground forces maneuvered for position on the slopes of Mount Hermon.

The nation 

Johnson quits as head of VA

Donald E. Johnson announced yesterday he would resign his beleaguered job as head of the Veterans Administration. Johnson had been sharply criticized for not properly running the VA. Vietnam veterans complained of problems in getting educational benefits under the GI Bill of Rights and he was also criticized for neglecting VA hospitals.

Mail service to Canada cut off

The Postal Service announced it is cutting off all mail service from the United States to Canada at the request of the Canadian government because of the postal strike in that country. All air, first class and parcel post mail will be returned to senders. Third class mail is being returned to post offices of origin so senders can pick it up.

Nixon, aides discuss subpoena move

President Nixon, facing Thursday deadline, spent much of his time yesterday consulting with his lawyers and aides to decide on a response to the unprecedented congressional subpoena for his Watergate tapes. Meanwhile, Rep. Edward Hutchinson senior Republican member of the House Judiciary Committee disclosed the impeachment inquiry panel has prepared another request for White House material in addition to that already subpoenaed.

Mitchell, Stans case to jury Wednesday

Nine men and three women are expected to begin deliberating the fate of former Nixon cabinet officers John Mitchell and Maurice Stans Wednesday afternoon, the presiding judge in the historic trial said yesterday. New York Judge Lee Gagliardi made the prediction after both the prosecution and defense rested.

Sawhill opposed to oil price regulations

Energy chief John Sawhill yesterday testified against legislation to impose price regulations on the petroleum industry, suggesting instead that its profits be taxed. The Senate Commerce Committee is holding hearings on a bill sponsored by Sen. Adlai Stevenson III to control oil and gas prices and create a federal corporation to compete with private energy producers.

ACLU files second 'Zebra' protest suit

A second suit was filed in San Francisco by blacks protesting the Police Department's stop-and-search manifesto for the "Zebra" gunmen who have slain 12 persons. The suit, filed by the American Civil Liberties Union, asked for a declaration that indiscriminate stopping, searching, interrogating and detaining of blacks is illegal and unconstitutional.

The market 

Stocks stage broad decline

A further rise in short-term interest rates and signs the Federal Reserve plans to keep the lid on the nation's money supplies prompted a broad decline on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was slow. The Dow Jones average declined 1.33 to 888.87. Standard & Poor's index slid 0.37 to 91.38. The price of an average share of common stock lost 15 cents. There were 913 declining issues and 408 advancers, among the 1,750 issues traded.



A tremendous blast ripped face off this New York commercial building.

Probe cause of blast in New York

From Herald news services

Saying it was a "miracle" that no one was killed, New York police and fire officials Monday began an investigation into a massive explosion that blew away half of one side of a 25-story office building and set off a fire and heavily damaged a neighboring 18-story apartment building.

The blast, which came shortly before 7 a.m., was centered under one corner of the building, located just a block from the United Nations headquarters. Two UN missions — Indonesia and Burundi — were housed in the office building, and another — Nepal — in the apartment building.

Ninety-three persons, including 11 policemen, were hurt, eight of them seriously. Only the early hour of the explosion prevented the tragedy from being much worse.

As it was, scores of persons were hurt in the streets, when flying glass sprayed out at passersby. The building where the explosion occurred was nearly empty at the time, but a search went on for possible other victims.

Police said the building had recently been the subject of a bomb threat, but discounted the possibility that the structure actually had been sabotaged. Early speculation was that the blast was caused by an accumulation of gas, fumes having been smelled in the building shortly after the explosion.

Jet carrying 106 crashes on Bali

DENPASAR, Bali (UPI) — A Pan American World Airways 707 jetliner with 106 people aboard crashed in flames Monday on the Indonesian island of Bali, police on the island reported.

There was no immediate word from the remote jungle crash site concerning casualties.

The four-engine Boeing jet was Flight 812 from Hong Kong to Los Angeles via Bali, Sydney, Fiji and Honolulu. It carried 86 passengers and a crew of 10 and was approaching the airport here in the Balinese capital when it went down.

Police said the jet was seen to crash in flames in mountainous, jungled terrain between Bunglon and Singaraja at the western end of Bali, which is 90 miles long.

Indonesian officials and police were enroute to the crash site. It was about 36 miles short of the airport and about 600 miles east of Jakarta, the national capital of Indonesia.

The Denpasar control tower said the last word from the airliner was "field in sight," radioed at 10:24 p.m. (9:24 a.m. CDT).

It was the third Pan Am Boeing 707 to crash in the South Seas in 10 months.

A 707 jet crashed last July 23 shortly after taking off from Papeete, Tahiti, killing all but one of the 79 passengers and crew members aboard. On Jan. 31 another 707 approaching Pago Pago airport in American Samoa in a thunderstorm hit a low hill and burned, killing 96 of the 101 people aboard.

In Washington Monday, Edward Slattery, public affairs officer for the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board, said the board had dispatched five investigators to Bali to act as U.S. representatives in the investigation of the crash.



NEWSMAP SPOTS THE Balinese capital of Denpasar, near where a Pan American World Airways Boeing 707 jetliner (similar to plane above) is reported down. The plane, flight 812 was enroute from Hong Kong to Honolulu, with intermediate stops in Bali, Sydney and Fiji.

SLA in new death threat?

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — A penciled note and tape recording claiming to be from the Symbionese Liberation Army Monday threatened that five California peace officers would be killed "for every SLA member murdered."

The latest message in the 11-week-old Patricia Hearst kidnapping was mailed to the Sacramento Bee newspaper in California's capital city. Bee executives said there seemed to be some doubt that the message was authentic, and the FBI was attempting to verify it. Miss Hearst was abducted by the SLA Feb. 4.

"The Symbionese Liberation Army will not allow itself to be slaughtered by the fascist forces who suppress us now," said the note, on lined yellow paper with the SLA seven-headed cobra symbol.

"We therefore issue this warning. Five California law enforcement officers will be executed for every SLA member murdered."

At the same time, Miss Hearst's picture, along with those of four SLA members wanted in a bank robbery a week ago, went up on a "Wanted" poster issued by the FBI to post office and other federal buildings.

On the tape, a male voice identifying himself as "General Pax" said the communiqué was sent to the Bee "as you represent the capital of the state of California."

The newspaper said "neither note nor tape contained the lengthy, ideological statements found in some SLA communications." There also was no mention in either the tape or note of the kidnapping of Miss Hearst, and the name "General Pax" has not been used previously in SLA communications.

John M. Reed, special FBI agent in charge in Sacramento, said the tape, penciled message and envelope were dispatched to Washington for extensive lab tests. He also said copies were sent to federal agents in San Francisco.

"We cannot treat it as a hoax at this point," Reed said when asked about the authenticity of the materials.

Miss Hearst's family had no immediate comment.

In another development, Charles W. Bates, FBI agent in charge of the investigation, denied a published report that the FBI had located the neighborhood where the SLA is hiding out and had infiltrated it with agents posing as workmen.

Runaway money gets a national focus

From Herald news services

The spiraling cost of living and a prospect of runaway inflation commanded the national spotlight Monday as:

- Democratic governors attending a national conference in Chicago saw inflation, not Watergate, as the nation's number one problem.

- Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield called for a tax cut as Congress returned from its Easter recess to grapple with the nation's economy.

- Federal Reserve Board Chairman Arthur Burns warned that the United States will be in "grave difficulty" unless it brings inflation under control.

Although the governors said Watergate has "undermined people's confidence in government," they almost unanimously viewed inflation and unemployment as the problem people worry about most.

The conference, being held at Hyatt Regency Hotel, unanimously adopted a resolution urging Congress to approve a tax relief program for low and middle income families. They also urged continuation of price controls on the part of Congress pending a national health insurance program.

In Washington, Sen. Mansfield joined other top Democrats who in the last days have proposed immediate tax cuts to help Americans cope with rising inflation and to stimulate the economy. "It is one way to take care of the people who pay the most and the least," he said.

Mansfield added that he would like to see the personal exemption increased from \$750 to \$900 or \$1,000.

He also deplored the decisions of the

House and Senate Banking Committee to allow wage-price controls to expire at the end of the month. The senator said a mandatory system should be imposed and include raw agricultural products exempted from previous freezes.

At a news briefing at Federal Reserve headquarters, Burns expressed concern over inflation but indicated that a tax cut

would only make matters worse.

Burns also said the beleaguered housing industry, troubled with soaring interest rates, should look to the administration and Congress for help rather than to the nation's central bank. He labeled the "veritable explosion" in bank loans as a key reason for the nation's inflationary woes.

Elected when the city was incorporated in 1863, Canfield said doctors have given him only one year to live — saying he has cancer of the right lung, after losing the left one in another cancer operation 15 years ago.

The convicted assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. — James Earl Ray — ate lunch in the Tennessee state prison hospital Monday, ending his four-day hunger strike in protest to his segregation within the prison. He was put in the hospital Sunday night after doctors said he faked a fainting spell.

Love still is not in bloom at Washington's National Zoo, where pandas Hsing-Hsing and Ling-Ling went through a third day together without mating, frustrating hopes for the first successful panda birth outside of China. As a zoo spokesman tactfully put it, "They are chasing each other around, rolling and tumbling, but Hsing-Hsing just hasn't zipped in."

People

were involved in the land deal — which brought lucrative returns on the sales of an industrial sludge heap — and Wilson had campaigned against such speculation.

Sentenced to 30 days for lying to the FBI in the Watergate investigation, Herbert L. "Bart" Porter — scheduling director of the Committee to Re-Elect the President — began serving his time at the federal prison at Lompoc, Calif.

The only mayor Dearborn Heights, Mich., ever has had — John L. Canfield — invited 250 friends and supporters to a party, then stunned them with the announcement that he is dying of cancer.

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Prospective nun's alimony must continue, judge rules

by BETTY LEE

A divorced woman preparing to be a nun in a Wisconsin convent will continue to receive alimony payments from her former husband, a circuit court judge ruled Monday, saying her circumstances had not changed sufficiently for alimony to be ended.

Sister Mary A. Lane, 48, a novice at the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary in Milwaukee, appeared in Cook County Circuit Court Monday and testified she needed the \$250-a-month alimony to pay for medical expenses. Dressed in a plain navy blue dress and with her hair wrapped in a scarf, she told the judge that the convent does not pay for these expenses until she takes her final vows.

Her former husband, James Lane, 4605 E. Central Rd., Arlington Heights, sought

to stop alimony payments because he said she has "remarried" the church.

A DECISION FROM JUDGE Robert L. Hunter requires Lane to continue paying alimony to his former wife.

"In my opinion, there is not sufficient change of circumstances to reduce or eliminate alimony," Judge Hunter said.

The Laness were divorced in 1970 after 20 years of marriage. Two years ago the former Mrs. Lane entered the convent of 16 members. Lane has remarried and has custody of one of their three children. A step-daughter also resides with them.

Lane, a marketing representative for an insurance company in Chicago, testified he could not pay the alimony and stated he does not object to his former wife entering a convent.

"I simply can't afford to pay her," Lane said. "It's not because of her religious activity." He added that he will begin paying college expenses this fall for his stepdaughter, Suzanne.

Lane's present wife, Marguerite, told the judge that without her job, she and her husband would be unable to pay the bills. "I work to support my daughter, my husband, myself and to support Mary Lane," she said, adding that she sometimes works overtime at the laboratory where she is employed.

Lane's son, Scott, testified that he is employed full time and pays the family \$20 a week for room and board.

THERE ARE ONLY three members of the convent who receive money from outside the order, said Sister Mary Lane. She contended she needs approximately

\$180 a month to pay for clothing, traveling, medical, health and life insurance expenses even though she has \$6,000 in savings bonds.

A novice would be able to take her final vows after three to six years said Sister May Lane, adding that the alimony money does not go directly to the church. But after vows are taken, all expenses are absorbed by the convent.

In a summary presented to the judge, Lane's attorney, Edward D. Rosenberg, said there were two reasons for his client to stop paying alimony.

"First there has been a substantial change of circumstances," Rosenberg said. He explained that when the Laness were divorced, Mrs. Lane worked as a nurse.

Rosenberg said that Sister Miriam, an official of the order, told him that Sister

Mary Lane would not be expelled from the Wisconsin convent if she no longer received money.

Rosenberg said that he was surprised by the verdict and thought that the judge would at least lower the alimony, if not eliminate it completely.

Rosenberg said he will file for an appeal.

"I FEEL STRONGLY that we should appeal," said Lane, 47. "I paid so much already. I offered a settlement of \$125 or half, but she wanted the full \$250. She said in court she only needed \$180."

Lane was recently transferred to his company's Los Angeles branch but said he will continue to fight the case.

Sister Mary Lane said that her fight for the alimony money was "justifiable."

"I gave him 21 years of my life and paid for his education," she said.

Lutheran General to allow abortions to be performed

by KAREN BLECHA

Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge is the first hospital in the Northwest suburbs to allow its doctors to use hospital facilities to perform non-therapeutic abortions.

Such abortions will be allowed during the first three months of pregnancy, L.J. Wylie, vice president of Human Relations and Resources, said Monday. He said the decision was made by the hospital trustees in January, but has not yet been implemented. Currently the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is drawing up medical regulations for the new policy, which should be effective "in the near future."

Wylie stressed the new policy is not abortion on demand. To get an abortion at the hospital, a patient must be admitted by a physician on the staff.

"WE ARE NOT setting up an abortion clinic. We are trying to deal with providing a service," he said.

Lutheran General is the first hospital in the area to change its abortion policy. Previously, the hospital performed abortions only if the mother's life was in danger. Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights performs abortions only if the mother's health is endangered. Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village, and Holy Family Hospital in Des Plaines do not perform abortions at all.

Although the final decision was made by Lutheran General's trustees, a task force of nurses, doctors, theologians and administrators studied the abortion issue since the Supreme Court ruled in January, 1973, that abortions are legal during the first six months of pregnancy. Abortions became legal in Illinois on March 1, 1973 although the state has the right to regulate abortions during the second trimester of pregnancy.

WYLIE SAID THE Supreme Court de-

cision made the hospital reconsider its policy, but was not the reason for changing it. "The decision itself was prompted by our consideration of what the availability of our services should be to the community. We are not just approaching this willy-nilly. We are approaching this with the same seriousness as any service in a hospital," he said.

He said the new policy does not extend to the second trimester of pregnancy because of health risks involved. He said therapeutic abortions will continue to be performed during the second trimester.

The hospital's new abortion policy requires parental consent for a person under 18 years old. The policy also states consent be obtained from both parties involved in the pregnancy whenever possible.

WYLIE SAID individual physicians will determine if a patient should be admitted for an abortion. The physician will decide what type of procedure will be performed. He said the hospital has no set costs for an abortion and that a patient would not necessarily have to stay overnight. The hospital will provide counseling both before and after the abortion.

Hospital personnel who do not want to participate in an abortion will not be forced to. There are doctors willing to perform abortions and nurses willing to assist, Wylie said.

He said if a person calls the hospital requesting an abortion, she will be referred to a physician. He said he expects most people seeking abortions at the hospital will be middle-aged couples who have decided they do not want another child in the family.

Wylie stressed the policy is not in conflict with the statements of the American Lutheran Churches. The group's position states that each case should be considered individually, he said.



VOLUNTEERS HELPED the Wheeling Park District garden at Chamber of Commerce Park Saturday. and Mary Scarnavack, all of Maryville Academy, polish off the planting of 260 roses in the new rose garden. Lending a hand were Diane Winter, Mary Duffy. Another 140 will be planted next weekend.

Three to be interviewed for commission positions

The Wheeling Village Board has interviewed three applicants for village commissions, and will review the applications when there are openings on the various boards.

James Green, 140 Mockingbird Ln., and Elliot Tobias, 148 Mockingbird Ln., applied for positions on the plan commis-

sion. Green said his background in facilities planning would make him useful to the plan commission, while Tobias said his experience in planning and marketing would qualify him for village planning work.

Edmond Morgan, 1620 Dempster St., Park Ridge, applied for a seat on the board of health, which is now in the process of reorganizing. He is owner and director of the DeRidge Clinical Laboratory in Park Ridge.

Board members noted that the board of health is filled, with the exception of two seats reserved for physicians. Trustee Al Lang suggested changing the village code to require only one physician, since the village has had trouble finding doctors to sit on the board.

Village Pres. Ted C. Scanlon, however, said the ordinance should not be changed since one doctor would be able to dictate his views to the board. He also noted that a hospital proposed for the Wheeling area may soon provide the village with a larger medical population to help fill these two seats.

The firm is seeking a zoning change from B-4 to B-3 business classification for the new banking facility.

The zoning board will also consider a request from Bernard Kron for a zoning change that would allow construction of a Ponderosa Steak House on Dundee Road west of the Wildwood apartments. Kron is the developer of Harmony Village townhouses on Wolf Road.

The Bulk Petroleum Corp. will present its request for a sign variation at the gas station located on the northwest corner of Elmhurst Road and Jenkins Court.

The hearings will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the village hall, 255 W. Dundee Rd.

Four make police eligibility list

Four men have been named to the tentative eligibility list for the Wheeling Police Department.

The men, who still have to pass physicals, are Lester Aradi, William Hoos, Edward Theriault and Eric Larson. Hoos is a former Wheeling policeman who resigned from the department in 1972 because of alleged political influence in the department.

Three of the four men will be appointed as policemen and should start work May 1. This will bring the police manpower to 38 persons. Oral interviews were held Thursday with the fire and police commission.

Old-fashioned popcorn wagon made available

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Park district wrapup

Garage purchases OKd

The new maintenance garage, located just south of the Heritage Park recreation building, is now under construction, and the park board approved several purchases needed for the completion of the facility.

Board members okayed the purchase of \$1,825.70 in lumber and roof material from Hines Lumber Co. Land-O-Lakes Sand and Gravel was awarded the purchase of 450 yards of sand for \$877.50.

Shingles and felt paper for roofing will be purchased from Heron Roofing for \$819. All purchases were based on quotations submitted by several companies for each item.

Rose planting volunteers

Park board members will help plant 400 roses at the new rose garden at Chamber of Commerce Park, with the job to be completed this weekend.

The roses have been donated to the district by a garden club, which is sponsoring a show in Chicago next year. Visitors to the show will travel to Wheeling to view the special varieties of roses planted in front of the old church.

The rose garden has been discussed by the park district for the past several years. The original design of the garden was laid out by past superintendent Ferdinand Arndt.

Planting will be done at two different times, with 250 roses scheduled to have been planted this past weekend and another 150 planted Saturday. The district is estimating volunteers will be able to plant 20 roses per day.

Executive sessions postponed

Two scheduled executive sessions on land acquisition and personnel were postponed until more board members are present. Both Lorraine Lark and Hugh Wilson were absent from the meeting. The board continued the meeting until 8 p.m. Thursday.

Savings, loan firm seeking to build here

The Glenview Guaranty Savings and Loan Assn. tonight will present the Wheeling Zoning Board with plans for a facility proposed for 433 N. Milwaukee Ave.

The firm is seeking a zoning change from B-4 to B-3 business classification for the new banking facility.

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Earth Day slated

The Buffalo Grove High School Student Council will sponsor Earth Day activities Thursday from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the school, Dundee and Arlington Heights roads, Buffalo Grove.

Activities will be designed to promote environmental protection and the study of ecology.

Bowling to give park football support

The Wheeling Park Football Committee will sponsor a bowling party Friday to raise money for the 1974 park football program.

The party will be from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Niles Bowling Center, 7333 Milwaukee Ave., Niles, and will be geared for adult bowlers.

At an earlier party, the football committee raised \$462.77 which will be used to purchase equipment and provide coaching for the fall football program.

The committee was organized to improve the quality of the park football program.



Williamsburg

A unique craft shop program portrays colonial society in this Virginia town

Special To The Herald

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — There is an intimacy in the tiny colonial craft shops of Williamsburg that unfailingly appeals to the American traveler and stimulates his understanding.

In the Pasteur-Galt Apothecary Shop, for instance, where a faded ledger reveals an unpaid bill of seven shillings owed by Patrick Henry, the Revolutionary orator is seen by the imagination in warmly human terms.

At the Windmill, one learns that in the 18th Century there always seemed to be a pile of sawdust near a mill — for millers sometimes laced their flour or meal with sawdust and kept a corresponding portion for themselves.

COLONIAL Williamsburg's craft shop program is the activity under which the trades and crafts of colonial times are carried on in authentic, working shops at 20 locations scattered throughout the historic area. Some of them have been in operation for a quarter of a century. In recent years many additional crafts have been added as the program increased in scope and effectiveness.

Admission to the craft shops is included under the general admission ticket which enables visitors to see more than 30 colonial homes, shops and public buildings; 90 acres of gardens; attend evening films and lectures; and use the continuous bus service circling the Historic Area of the city. The general admission ticket, good for three days, is priced at \$4.50 for adults and \$3 for children aged 6-12.

The craft shops are a key facet of a broad endeavor to reveal 18th-Century Williamsburg in the light of human personalities — to make present-day visitors truly feel the companionship and presence of the patriots who proclaimed the rights of man in words and deeds no American should ever forget.

HERE THE COLONIAL society is portrayed not only as the gifted, the articulate, the famous, but as men and women who lived useful lives, who scolded their children, who knew illness and fun, toil, ambition and sorrow. Authentically furnished and equipped after extensive research, the shops are staffed by artisans who wear workmen's clothing of the colonial period and perform their chores by hand.

The tools in the silversmith's shop came from a London shop in use since 1726. They were the property of a silversmith named Wickes, and they are still in use today.

The shops and their activities are organized into three subdivisions — crafts, professions and domestic crafts. Under the basic crafts are the cabinetmaker, wigmaker, silversmith, clockmaker, engraver, jeweler, printer, cooper, musical instrument maker, brass founder, pewterer, bookbinder, papermaker, bootmaker, blacksmith, gunsmith, miller, carpenter and milliner. There are three professions: apothecary, music teacher, and postmaster. Classed as domestic crafts are the textile dyer, harnessmaker, weaver, candlemaker, soapmaker, baker, candlemaker, flaxbreaker and basketmaker.

The printer and bookbinder demonstrate their operations in two shops on the site of William Parks' Virginia Gazette, first newspaper published in the Virginia Colony. A feature of this facility is a postal headquarters, reminiscent of the day when the colonial Printing Office was an important way station for postal riders from the north and south. Today, letters and cards may be mailed here, receiving a hand-stamped postmark patterned after one used in Williamsburg in 1771.

MORE THAN 100 fulltime craftsmen and interpreters, at least two in each shop, are employed in the program. The shops are open, variably, six and seven days a week on an overlapping schedule.

Williamsburg's master craftsmen, above all, must be well-qualified artisans. They come from many corners of this country and abroad. One cabinetmaker was apprenticed for six years in Europe; two craftsmen are natives of England; another is from Scotland. The remainder of the craftsmen come from more than a dozen states in this country.

In 1961 the master silversmith fashioned reproductions of Paul Revere lanterns for the late President Kennedy as a gift from the White House Correspondents Association. Since then the WHCA has commissioned the silversmith to make other silver articles for President Johnson, Vice President Humphrey and President Nixon.

A new beer museum? You bet

A new beer museum, a brand new craft hall that will house not only the museum but 33 working craftsmen, and a second, huge beer hall are just three of the new additions to this year's sixth annual Bavarian Summer Festival at Barnstable, Pa.

The "Oktoberfest in July" last year in 17 days drew 381,000 persons in its first 17-day run. This year the fest will again be 17 days, June 28 through July 14.

Highlight of the tremendous oompah band schedule (over 30 different bands from all over the United States are slated over the 17 days) will be the appearance of the Die Lustigen Neckar-

ler band which is coming from Germany. The band will appear daily the first 11 days of the festival in its exclusive U.S. appearance.

The museum — The World of Beer Memorabilia — will be filled with hundreds of items used in making and marketing of beer by old breweries here and in Germany. In addition there will be a colorful display of items like antique beer trays representing over 325 brewer-

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Travel lore

by Claire Wright
TRAVEL EDITOR



Private villa--a money saver?

The word "villa" has always had a somewhat ritzy connotation to it in my book. Yet today more and more U.S. travelers are discovering that renting a private villa often can be less expensive than staying in a hotel.

One doesn't have to be restricted to villas. Vacationers in foreign countries can also rent cottages, chalets and condominiums — or even an Irish castle!

At Home Abroad, which has been providing this unique vacation rental service to thousands of families since 1966, maintains about 3,000 villas and chateaus in Europe, Great Britain, North Africa, the Caribbean and Mexico.

Claire Packman, director of the New York-based firm, says that holidaygoers can save almost 30 per cent for comparable service and luxury in such fashionable places as Barbados, Jamaica, the French Riviera and the Costa del Sol.

Not all villas and apartments for rent are in the luxury class by any means. Ronald I. Franson of Arro Adventure in Bridgeport, Conn., conducts a "Holiday for the Thrifties" program in conjunction with Pan American World Airways that includes air fare to the Caribbean, villa or apartment and use of a car.

FRAMSON began his business about four years ago with a few rental apartments in Puerto Rico. Today he also has properties in the Virgin Islands, Jamaica, the Bahamas, Barbados and Curacao.

When you share a villa with several other couples, as we did in Jamaica last fall, you can enjoy luxury accommodations plus a household staff for about half as much as similar hotel or resort facilities would cost.

Renting a vacation home also makes it easier for parents to take along small children on a vacation, and the whole family can luxuriate in a carefree, relaxing vacation — and at the same time learn a little about how people of another country live.

If you can possibly take your vacation at an off season time, rental rates on vacation homes abroad can be cut in half. Summertime is a great bargain time in the Caribbean and Mexico.

ONE FIRM we consulted says that foreign rental of villas and apartments has become a year-round proposition.

"When it's off-season in Spain and Portugal we're swamped with clients in the Caribbean, and in the summer, when it's slow in the Caribbean, we've got our hands full in Europe."

He agrees that vacationers should get smart and pick the spot that's "off-season."

Condorart International represents 55 resort condominiums in spots such as Morocco, Mexico, Hawaii and California. This summer they expect to conduct charter flights to Spain and accommodate vacationers in apartments on the Costa del Sol for as little as \$68.50 a week plus air fare.

If you are interested in vacation rentals abroad, here are places you can contact for descriptive catalogs and more complete information:

- At Home Abroad, Inc., 136 E. 57th St., New York 10022.
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Sloan enjoys big meets; Forest View 2nd in invite

A week ago Joe Vilton was a concerned coach. The head track man at Rolling Meadows was having trouble figuring out his shot put ace, John Sloan.

Sloan, last year's district champion, reached the 58-foot mark on four occasions during the recently concluded indoor season. In the Mid-Suburban League indoor meet, the Mustang senior heaved the 12-pound shot 59-10 for his best mark of the year.

But since then, Sloan has been flirting with the 55-foot range instead of the 50-foot level he was expected to reach during the outdoor season. Vilton was understandably puzzled.

But the Rolling Meadows coach now has an answer to the riddle of Sloan's performance. It came to him in a flash Saturday at the Lake Forest Relays when Sloan put the shot 59 $\frac{1}{2}$ for a first place in the event, more than six feet further than his nearest competitor.

"It was a good day, it was a big

meet," said Vilton. "John evidently thrives on competition and a big crowd. His effort certainly made me happy."

Indeed, it seems that Sloan benefits from extra inputs of adrenalin. His four indoor marks in excess of 58 feet all came in big meets or relays and the first time he surpassed 56 feet outdoors was at Lake Forest.

"I hope that's what it is," Vilton said, when asked about his shotputter's commanding performances. "You know, he's been undefeated all year long, but he's thrown his best in the big meets. I don't know if it's the competition or the crowd, but he does what he has to do to win."

Sloan's shot put victory and a superb triple jump win by Gary Olson (40 $\frac{1}{2}$) paced the Mustangs to a fifth place at Lake Forest. Other Meadows achievements were a second spot for Jeff Ramos in the 120-yard high hurdles (:16.1) and a second place tie for Mark Harris in the pole vault (12-6).

Niles West won the Relays with 51 points, but Bill Mohrmann's Forest View trackmen finished an impressive second behind the Indians with 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ points. The big scorers for the Falcons were sophomore Steve Schellenberger, Dave Matzl, and Craig Brinkman.

The ever-improving Falcons got two fine efforts from Schellenberger, who won the 440-yard dash with a nifty clocking of :50.2 and came back to notch a victory in the 880-yard run with a flashy 1:58.9.

Matzl took a first in the 300-yard low hurdles, blazing over the course in :39.4. He and Schellenberger also joined Ed Ernst and Gerry Rauba to take a second in the 440-yard relays.

"Matzl is our biggest surprise," Mohrmann said. "And Schellenberger is just an outstanding trackman."

Brinkman, a star in football and basketball, grabbed second spots in the shot put and the discus.

Depth pays off for Glenbrook North

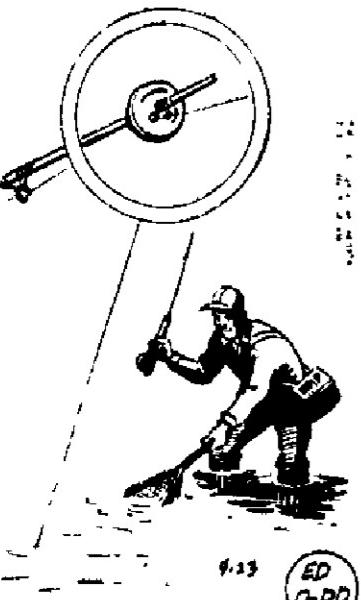
by ART MUGALIAN
Track and Field Editor

Glenbrook North parlayed three individual wins and its amazing depth to capture the annual Lake Shore Relays Saturday afternoon at Prospect High School.

Actually the Spartans nearly ran away

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Grenadiers post 1st tennis victory

Victory No. 1 came to Elk Grove Friday.

The Grenadiers, frustrated through their first five meets, made their record 15 with a narrow 5-4 victory over Streamwood.

Coach Ken Rundquist saw his team win three singles and two doubles matches to pull out the triumph. Bill Siebold, Bruce Kinn and Bill Hatzold were the singles victors. Siebold handled Ray Wedinak (7-5, 6-3). Kinn outlasted Gary Reibert (3-6, 6-3) and Hatzold stopped Gary Harris (6-2, 6-1).

Ken Politz and Siebold combined forces to take first doubles over Mark Brown and Wedinak (6-3, 6-4). Mark Stadler and Steve Wellman did the same at third doubles against Harris and Scott Reynolds (7-5, 2-6, 6-3).

Rob Soderholm and Ken Vasquez dropped their match to Reibert and John String (7-6, 7-5). The singles losses came like this — Politz to Brown (1-6, 6-3, 7-6); Greg Kelley to String (6-2, 6-3) and Neil Nishihara to Joe Eby (1-6, 6-2, 6-1).

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The Herald will publish official Mid-Suburban baseball statistics once each week on Tuesdays. These statistics will always include any games played through the previous Saturday. Any questions should be directed to statistician Keith Reinhard at 304-2804 on Sunday afternoons.

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| | AB | R | H | Avg |
| Kanno (Whi) | 3 | 2 | 6 | .750 |
| Dallahan (Soh) | 3 | 6 | 6 | .667 |
| J. Yukovich (Art) | 3 | 0 | 4 | .444 |
| Gaudie (Prox) | 1 | 0 | 1 | .444 |
| Edplinger (Pal) | 3 | 12 | 4 | .533 |
| Anderson (Prox) | 2 | 10 | 2 | .400 |
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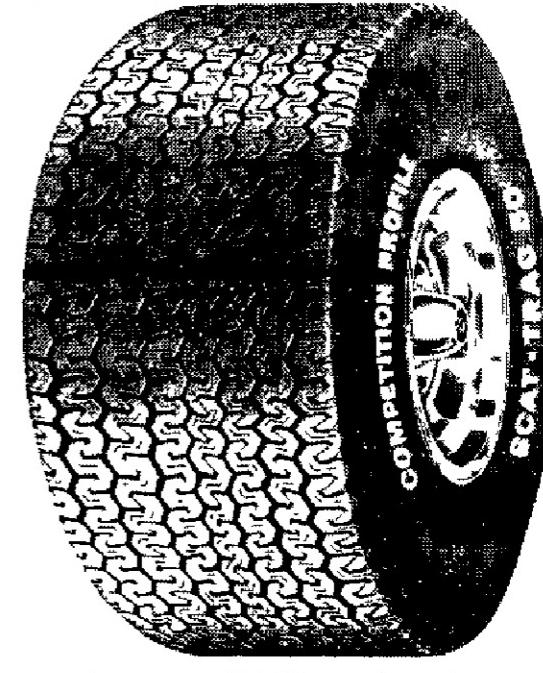
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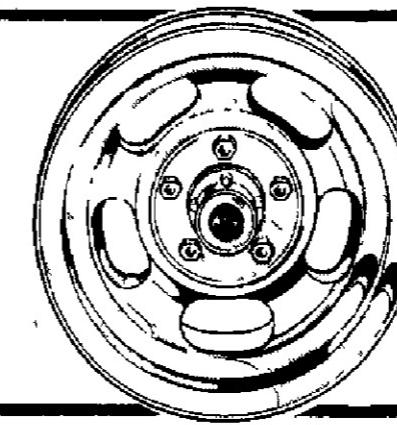
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Debra
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Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Allen of Rolling Meadows announce the engagement of their daughter, Debra, to Vince Deadmond, son of the Louis Deadmonds of Odin, Ill.

The wedding is set for July 27.

A '72 graduate of Forest View High School, the bride-to-be is a sophomore at Eastern Illinois University where her fiance is a senior. Vince graduated from Kaskaskia Junior College before going to Eastern.

A Mount Prospect couple, Linda Carlson and Karl H. Gomperz Jr., are engaged and planning a December '77 wedding. The couple's engagement is announced by Linda's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Carlson, 1614 Park Drive, Karl is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl H. Gomperz, 1200 Ironwood Drive.

Linda, a graduate of Wheeling High School, is earning a teaching degree at Illinois State University, and her fiance, a graduate of Hersey High School, is with Brunswick Corp., Deerbrook, Ill.

Susan Jarratt and Guy Matthew Zajone are planning a July wedding. Susan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Jarratt Jr., 1945 Durham Drive, Inverness, are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter to the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Zajone, 311 E. Norman, Palatine.

Pier studied at John Hersey High School, Western Michigan University and Rider College. Her fiance will graduate in June from Princeton University.

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Following their wedding Guy will at-

Former Arlington Heights residents Mr. and Mrs. George R. Schoklen of Princeton, N.J. announce the engagement of their daughter, Pier, to Arthur John Keegan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Keegan of Rochester, N.Y. A June wedding is planned.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Winzer of Plum Grove Estates announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen N., to James M. Romano III, son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Romano of Elk Grove Village. The couple plans a summer 1975 wedding.

Both Karen and Jim are graduates of Elk Grove High School and are currently attending Carroll College in Waukesha, Wis. Karen is majoring in sociology and will graduate in December '75. Jim is majoring in physical education and is an assistant varsity football coach. He will graduate in May '75.

A Sept. 7 wedding is planned by Janet Sue Spencer and James L. Zebrowski. The couple's engagement and approaching marriage are announced by Janet's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spencer, 945 E. Kenilworth, Palatine. Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Zebrowski of Palos Hills.

A graduate of Arlington High School, Janet is employed at Carson's Randhurst Store. Jim, a graduate of Thornton Township High School, is a diesel mechanic apprentice in Chicago.

Cheap shampoo removes ring around the collar

Dear Dorothy: Must pass on to you a tip for "ring around the collar." Purchase a large bottle of the cheapest plain shampoo you can find. Apply to collar, either wet or dry, then wash as usual. You will not believe the results. I've also had great results working the shampoo into grease stains, perspiration stains and so forth, on no-iron and drip-dry garments before washing. It's a perfect marvel when traveling. — Mrs. Henry Jones

The homeline

by Dorothy Ritz

You don't. Scratched chrome stays scratched.

(Mrs. Ritz welcomes questions and hints. If personal reply is required, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Write to her in care of Suburban Living, Paddock Publications, Box 280, Arlington Heights, Ill. 60006.)

Dear Dorothy: Several years ago I had a beautiful vine — which was started from a sweet potato — but I'm at a loss as to how it was started. Would you happen to know? — Lillian Brent.

Bill Titus, who has a veritable "green thumb," puts the sweet potato in a jar with enough water to cover the bottom of the potato. He suspends it in the water with three toothpicks equidistant from each other. Unless the potato has been treated with the no-sprout treatment it should take about two weeks for sprouts to form and about six weeks for the vine.

Dear Dorothy: Found a hole in my two-year-old washer tub — and it was starting to make a rust stain. Our serviceman told me to get a specific epoxy used for steel. I found it at the hardware store for \$1.09. It was simple to use and even though it has been on for several months now, the repair is as hard as the tub. I gather that water over 150 deg. would affect it. — Mrs. Gilbert Hatfield

Dear Dorothy: There are some scratches on our lovely new chrome toaster. How do I get them off? — Laura Montgomery

Next on the agenda

HOLY ROSARY AUXILIARY

Holy Rosary Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus, meets at 8:30 tonight in the home of Mrs. Ty Maher, 880 S. Benton, Palatine. Elections and a discussion of the installation dinner are on the agenda.

Mrs. Joseph Luby, Arlington Heights, and Mrs. William Reinhart, Mount Prospect, will instruct the group in making flower arrangements from dried beans. Cost of the project is \$1.

Membership is open to all ladies of living or deceased Knights of Columbus. More information is available from Mrs. Philip Smith 392-5380.

SCHAUMBURG AAUW

The newly-formed Schaumburg branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 8 tonight, 26 No. Roselle Road, Schaumburg.

Juniors re-elect Mrs. Bessey

Fire Department Paramedic Program.

Mrs. Thomas Bessey has been elected to a second term as president of Elk Grove Village Junior Woman's Club. Other officers are Mrs. Michael Flood, first vice president; Mrs. Dona Ronald Preissig, second vice president; Mrs. Brian Carey and Mrs. Wesley Bois, secretaries; and Mrs. Harold Hoffmann, treasurer.

The Juniors voted to make a contribution to the FISH organization in Elk Grove Village, to offer a \$750 college scholarship to a high school student, and to provide a Camper Scholarship for a handicapped child.

These contributions are in addition to those previously approved by club members, including another \$750 college scholarship; art, music and speech workshop scholarships; the Elk Grove Village Public Library; Park District; and the

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Brass Rubbings" will be the program given by Grace Swim.

James Hooker, management consultant, will speak on transactional analysis as a vehicle for improving interpersonal communications and self-awareness.

Also on the agenda is the election of officers and ratification of the proposed by-laws which have been granted formal approval by the national association. All women college graduates in the area are invited. Further information can be obtained from Ruth Jonen, 877-8795.

BETA SIGMA PHI

Xi Zeta Epsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will meet in the home of Mrs. Cam Volin, Arlington Heights, at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

The Welcome Ritual will be given for three new members, Betty Hidey, Mrs. Albert Atkins and Mrs. Ray Arnold, followed by installation of officers.

Mrs. Peter Downing will be installed as president; Mrs. Jack Gowen, vice president; Mrs. Lary Miller and Mrs. Richard Schenck, secretaries; Mrs. Gerald F. Johnson, treasurer; and Mrs. Richard Garcia, extension officer.

DES PLAINES HOMEMAKERS

Des Plaines Homemakers will hold a noon luncheon Thursday at the Elks Club, 495 Lee Street, Des Plaines, to celebrate its 32nd birthday. Cocktails will be served at 11:30 and following lunch, Joyce Sorenson will talk on future programs associated with Senior Citizen Housing.

AMERICANA QUESTERS

Americana Hunters Chapter of Questers will meet Thursday in the home of Mrs. Norman Erbe, 450 E. Park, Arlington Heights. The 9:30 a.m. meeting will be co-hosted by Mrs. Lester Nelson.

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KAPPA ALPHA THETA

A humorous book review will be presented by Mrs. John Gibson at Thursday's meeting of the Northwest Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Mrs. Douglas Carlile, 492 N. Winston Drive, Palatine, will be hostess for the 1 p.m. program, assisted by Mrs. E. T. Swierczewski and Mrs. Charles Howes.

NORTHWEST SUBURBAN AAUW

Northwest Suburban Branch of the American Association of University Women will hold a membership party Thursday at the home of Barbara Pfaff, 1221 Castle Drive, Park Ridge.

The party will begin at 8 p.m. Membership chairman Julie Acker will explain the functions and opportunities of AAUW. All women who have graduated from an accredited college or university are eligible for membership.

Alumnae wishing further information may call Julie Acker at 299-3216.

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY

Krista Marie Shoaf was an April 10 arrival for Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Shoaf, 420 Castlewood Lane, Buffalo Grove. Kurt, 2, is the brother of the 7 pound 10½ ounce baby, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Raish, Bellevue, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. George Shoaf, North Royalton, Ohio, are the grandparents.

Matthew Lawrence O'Dowd was born April 7 to Mr. and Mrs. Matthew O'Dowd Jr., 1510 Valley Lake, Schaumburg. He weighed 8 pounds 3 ounces. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Aliotti and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew O'Dowd, all of Hoffman Estates, are Matthew's grandparents.

Corey Cassidy Pritchett was born March 29, the first child for Mr. and Mrs. Corey Pritchett, 1708 N. Rose, Palatine. The baby weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces. Helen Leck, Wheeling, and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Miller, Washington, Va., are Corey's grandparents.

Craig Thomas Thompson is a second son for Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thompson, 413 N. Wille St., Mount Prospect. He was born April 10 weighing 7 pounds 2½ ounces. Christopher, 2, is Craig's brother, and the George Taylors, Buffalo Grove, and the Donald Greens, Wheeling, are his grandparents.

Brandy Alexandra Sockl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sockl, 1416 Tonset Lane, Schaumburg, was born April 12 weighing 7 pounds 14 ounces. Robert, 5, is the brother of the 6 pound 13 ounce baby, and Mrs. Adelaide Bartoli, Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mrs. Ann Charletta, McKee Rocks, Pa., are the grandparents.

LUTHERAN GENERAL

Jill Ann Charletta was born March 24 to Mr. and Mrs. E. James Charletta, 424 Rosedale Lane, Hoffman Estates. Daniel, 22 months, is the brother of the 6 pound 13 ounce baby, and Mrs. Adelaide Bartoli, Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mrs. Ann Charletta, McKee Rocks, Pa., are the grandparents.

Christopher William Hecht, 8 pound 7 ounce son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Hecht, 827 N. Douglas, Arlington Heights, was born March 24. The baby is a grandson for Mr. and Mrs. W. Zuehlke, Glenview, and Mrs. H. Hecht, Arlington Heights.

Michael Wayne More was born March 26 to Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. More, 819 Boword, Mount Prospect. Grandparents of the 8 pound 15½ ounce baby are the Daniel M. Mores and the Seymour Orloves, all of Mount Prospect.

Lesley Daisy Anna Kolar is the new resident at 502 S. Crestwood Lane, Mount

Prospect. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin J. Kolar, she was born March 28 weighing 8 pounds 5½ ounces. Kelly, 4, is the sister of Lesley, and Daisy Sorensen and the Steve Kolars, all of Chicago, are the grandparents.

Craig Alan Wagner's birth took place March 28, and he weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces. The William T. Wagners, 311 N. Pine, Arlington Heights, are his parents. Tommy, 5, is his brother and Lori, 7, his sister. Grandparents are the William F. Wagners, Shelbyville, Ind., and Mrs. Irene Kilcullen, Arlington Heights.

HIGHLAND PARK

Michael Scott Fountaine was born April 10 to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Neil Fountaine, 199 Wildwood Lane, Wheeling. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rivett, Lantana, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Fountaine, Woodruff, Wis.

Michele Marie Rataj was an April 9 arrival for Mr. and Mrs. Gregory W. Rataj, 1203 Pleasant Run, Wheeling. She is a granddaughter for the E. W. Prays of Wichita, Kan., and Mrs. Irene Rataj, Chicago.

Erica Pauline Schnadt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Schnadt, 950 Elizabeth Court, Wheeling, was born April 9. Mrs. Stephen Sunyak, Deerfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schnadt, Highland Park, are her grandparents.

Nathan Bradley Larson is the new grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Helm of Wheeling. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley C. Larson of Prairie View, Nathan was born April 7.

ORT group sells bud vase gift for mothers

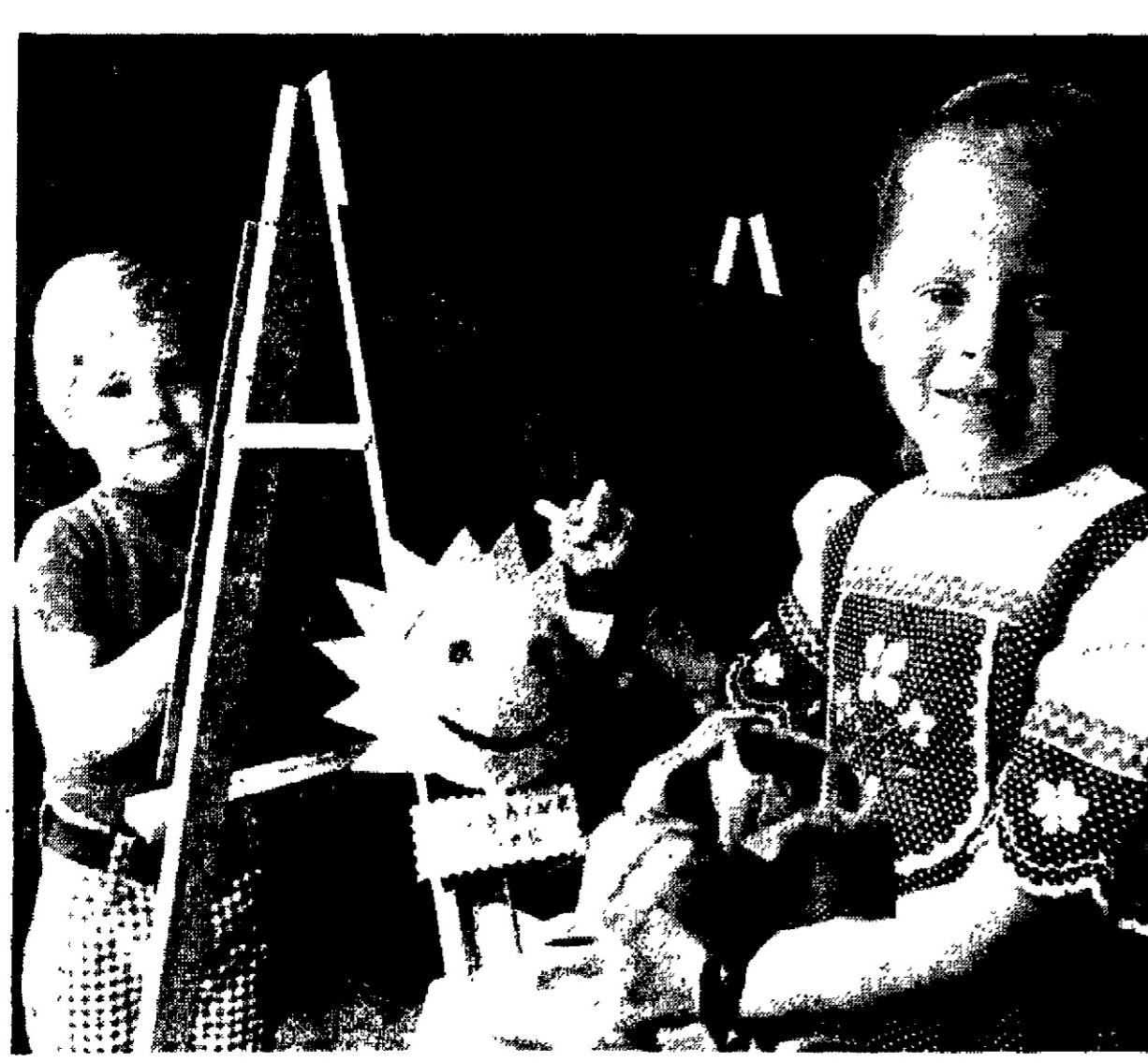
Fairway Chapter of Women's American ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training) has a novel idea for Mother's Day.

The group is selling bud vases, each containing a single rose with a card included. The vases will be delivered Saturday, May 11, to the homes requested.

Orders should be placed by May 3 with Linda Dubin, 824-0855, or Lonnie Goldman, 297-2825.

The cost is \$3 per vase, and all proceeds go to ORT health projects. ORT provides clinics, infirmaries, first aid rooms and specialized schools for training the handicapped.

On the committee for the bud vase sale are Beverly Kesselman, Mount Prospect; Lynne Turry and Gail Bagdadie, Wheeling; Cookie Speizman, Glenview; Phyllis Miller, Skokie; and Mrs. Dubin and Mrs. Goldman, both of Des Plaines.



DRAWING SUNNY faces with chalk, Jerry Yalchak, 4, and Joanne Horwath, 6, help promote "Sunshine Follies" luncheon fashion show coming Saturday, May 4, at Villa Olivia Country Club. Sponsored by Hoffman-Penneys of Woodfield. Proceeds will go to three community organizations. Tickets, \$5.50, are available at Villa Olivia Country Club. Sponsored by Hoffman-Penneys of Woodfield.

Juniors fashion learning aids

Zipping, buckling, buttoning, and snapping have been the pastimes of the Youth and Education Committee of the Arlington Heights Junior Woman's Club.

This committee has spent much of the year preparing learning aids for the children at Kirk Center in Palatine. And last month their efforts culminated in a presentation of these aids at the school.

As chairman of the project, Mrs. Chester Wolan said: "We contacted Mrs. Violet Marzec at Kirk Center in October to see how we could serve the school this year. She gave us a list of learning aids that the teachers needed as well as a tour of the facilities to help us see where our project fit in."

Among the aids presented to Mrs. Marzec recently were rhythm sticks, color and number books, food and equipment charts, letters and numbers for the children to manipulate and a cube-shaped device, the size of a large footstool, for practicing zipping, buckling, buttoning and snapping.

Movie roundup

ARLINGTON — Arlington Heights — 255-2125 — "The Sting" (PG).

CATLOW — Barrington — 331-0777 — "The Great Gatsby" (PG).

MOUNT PROSPECT CINEMA — Mount Prospect — 332-7070 — Theater 1: "Alice in Wonderland" (G); Theater 2: "Sugarland Express" (PG) plus "Pete 'n' Tillie" (PG).

ELK GROVE — Elk Grove — 593-2255 — "The Way We Were" (PG).

DES PLAINES — Des Plaines — 824-5253 — "The Paper Chase" plus "Last of the Red Hot Lovers."

GOLF MILL — Niles — 296-4500 — Theater 1: "The Great Gatsby"

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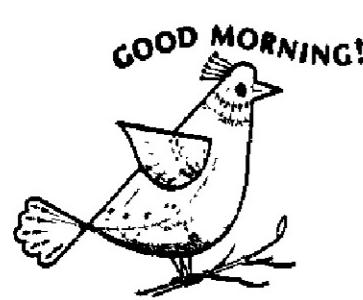
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House speaker expects backing of assembly, governor

Blair predicts death of or change in RTA

by STEVE FORSYTH

Illinois House Speaker W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, Monday predicted that amendments to alter or kill the Regional Transportation Authority will be passed by the General Assembly and signed by Gov. Daniel Walker.

At a series of suburban press conferences, Blair said he plans to introduce extensive amendments today, including a provision that would allow any county in the six-county RTA to withdraw by a majority vote of the county board, or the suburban county board members in Cook County.

Because he was a leading proponent of the RTA before the March 19 election, Blair's amendments took suburban legislators by surprise last week. He explained his about-face by saying his new position is a result of "listening to the will of the people."

Although his proposed amendments

could alter the RTA by eliminating objectionable points, RTA opponents believe the option of voting themselves out of the system would be accepted by all five outer counties and probably suburban Cook County, thereby killing the RTA despite the successful referendum.

BLAIR SAID elimination of the RTA does not eliminate the transportation problem in the area, and he said he is drafting legislation, to be explained in the next few days, that would provide a transportation plan for the entire state, excluding any counties that might remain in the RTA.

His amendments include changes that would:

- Eliminate RTA authority to levy a parking tax.
- Increase the size of the RTA board to give each county at least one member.
- Reduce the pay each board member would receive.
- Require public bidding on the sale of RTA bonds.
- Require that 100 per cent of taxes raised by the RTA in a given county be spent for services in that county.
- Extend protection from eminent domain to include parks and forest preserves.
- Prohibit any fare increases before July 1, 1975, to any carrier expecting RTA operating grants.

THE OPTION TO disconnect would go into effect upon a majority vote of each county board or the suburban Cook County board members, but if suburban Cook County withdrew, the entire RTA would be dissolved.

As for passage of the amendments, Blair said, "If Dan Walker is as sensitive to the people as I think he is, he will sign the bill. If the senators are as sensitive as they should be, they will give it the 30 votes it will need."

Asked if his amendments reflect his scramble to save his political future, since he represents a county that overwhelmingly defeated the referendum, Blair said he is just reacting to the wishes of the voters.

"The machine politics of the City of Chicago carried the day as it has so often in the past," Blair said. "A 12,979-vote margin of victory in an election in which over 1.3 million votes were cast convinces me that the present RTA is

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ILLINOIS HOUSE SPEAKER W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, lines up with suburban anti-RTA legislators as he explains his proposed amendments to alter the RTA and allow counties to withdraw from the new six-county organization.

Republican legislators appearing with him are, from left: Rep. Donald Totten, Hoffman Estates; Sen. David Regner, Mount Prospect; Rep. Leo LaFleur, Bloomingdale, and Rep. Cal Skinner, Crystal Lake.

Referendum may be necessary for future park sites

by JOE FRANZ

Future land acquisition and development of park facilities in Buffalo Grove may be cause for another referendum to raise taxes, park director Stan Crosland said Monday.

In 1971, voters in the district approved a referendum that authorized the sale of \$1.25 million in general obligation bonds to cover the cost of land acquisition and park development. Since that time, the park district has built an indoor and outdoor swimming pool, a number of tennis courts, and has installed other facilities at several park sites.

Crosland said a referendum would not be needed for the park facilities now being developed, but probably would be necessary to acquire and develop future park sites.

"The population around here is growing so fast that we're going to need more park area," Crosland said. "At the present time, we have no money to develop new parks, so it would have to be brought to the voters in a referendum."

"I THINK IT IS a better idea to finish with the parks we now have before spending money on new parks. I don't think it would be good to cut off development of a half-finished park so we could start on another park," Crosland said.

At present, the park district is involved in condemnation for three acres in the Cambridge subdivision. The district owns three acres adjacent to the land being condemned, but there is no access to it without the additional piece.

The cost of the additional park land, Crosland said, will determine whether the park district will purchase it, he said. The court will set the price at what



65 pints of blood given; far short of drive goal

Buffalo Grove residents donated 65 pints of blood at Sunday's drive at Buffalo Grove High School, 36 short of the goal.

Anyone interested in donating blood should call the village hall at 537-8884. Those who were unable to donate Sunday can make an appointment to give blood at an area hospital at their convenience.

The blood program provides free blood replacement anywhere in the country for all village residents if 4 per cent of them donate one pint of blood each year. The entire village is now covered, but members of the blood donor commission said continued donations are needed to assure future eligibility.

If the village should fall short of its requirement, persons who donated and members of their immediate families remain eligible. Under the program, persons are given as much blood as they need for as long as necessary.

DONORS MUST BE between 18 and 65 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds. If for some reason a person is temporarily ineligible to donate because of a health reason, he can sign a pledge card and donate at another time.

May 4 deadline for Amvet's contest

Wheeling and Buffalo Grove parents have until May 4 to enter youngsters from 2-to 5-year-old in the Phillip Carpenter Amvets Auxiliary Post 66 annual Tot's King and Queen Contest.

The contest winners will be chosen from photographs submitted by parents. Winners will ride in the Memorial Day Parade and receive their awards at Memorial Day services.

Photographs should have the child's name, age, address and phone number written on the back. They should be sent to Amvets Auxiliary 66, contest chairman, 300 Salk Rd., Arlington Heights. Photographs will not be returned.

CMI Studio of Photography, 251 E. Dundee Rd., Wheeling will take photographs of the winners and present them to parents.

Former kings and queens are not eligible. Past runners-up and children of post members are allowed to compete for the title.

Partly sunny

TODAY: Partly sunny and cool. High in mid-50s. Turning cooler towards evening.

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny, not much temperature change. High in upper 50s. Map on Page 2.

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ANYONE FOR SUMMER? Mrs. James Gloria of Buffalo Grove obviously knows how to come prepared for a high school baseball game in

the Midwest. The earmuffs came in handy, but this Bison fan wasn't too happy about the outcome. Schaumburg won, 2-1.

New charges in Stavros case

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Hobby show still open for exhibitors

There is still time for residents to sign up to exhibit their hobbies Saturday at the Buffalo Grove Park District's second annual family hobby and outdoor show.

The show will be from 1 to 5 p.m. at Emmerich Park, 150 Raupp Blvd. Residents are invited to exhibit their hobbies at the show or to just come as spectators.

The park district hopes to have camping, backpacking, cooking, fishing, hunting, arts and crafts, trailer, motor camper, model airplane and many other exhibits at the show. Ribbons and other prizes will be awarded for the best exhibits.

The Skylarks Radio Control Club will be the featured attraction.

The Apollo Skysailing Center also will put on a show.

Persons interested in participating in the show can pick up registration blanks at Emmerich Park. The applications should be returned by noon Friday.

Anyone with questions about the show should call the park district at 537-8356.

Prospective nun's alimony must continue, judge rules

by BETTY LEE

A divorced woman preparing to be a nun in a Wisconsin convent will continue to receive alimony payments from her former husband, a circuit court judge ruled Monday, saying her circumstances had not changed sufficiently for alimony to be ended.

Sister Mary A. Lane, 48, a novice at the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary in Milwaukee, appeared in Cook County Circuit Court Monday and testified she needed the \$250-a-month alimony to pay for medical expenses. Dressed in a plain navy blue dress and with her hair wrapped in a scarf, she told the judge that the convent does not pay for these expenses until she takes her final vows.

Her former husband, James Lane, 1605 E. Central Rd., Arlington Heights, sought

to stop alimony payments because he said she has "remarried" the church.

A DECISION FROM Judge Robert L. Hunter requires Lane to continue paying alimony to his former wife.

"In my opinion, there is not sufficient change of circumstances to reduce or eliminate alimony," Judge Hunter said.

The Lanes were divorced in 1970 after 20 years of marriage. Two years ago the former Mrs. Lane entered the convent of 16 members. Lane has remarried and has custody of one of their three children. A step-daughter also resides with them.

Lane, a marketing representative for an insurance company in Chicago, testified he could not pay the alimony and stated he does not object to his former wife entering a convent.

"I simply can't afford to pay her," Lane said. "It's not because of her religious activity." He added that he will begin paying college expenses this fall for his stepdaughter, Suzanne.

Lane's present wife, Marguerite, told the judge that without her job, she and her husband would be unable to pay the bills. "I work to support my daughter, my husband, myself and to support Mary Lane," she said, adding that she sometimes works overtime at the laboratory where she is employed.

Lane's son, Scott, testified that he is employed full time and pays the family \$20 a week for room and board.

THERE ARE ONLY three members of the convent who receive money from outside the order, said Sister Mary Lane. She contended she needs approximately

\$180 a month to pay for clothing, traveling, medical, health and life insurance expenses even though she has \$6,000 in savings bonds.

A novice would be able to take her final vows after three to six years said Sister Mary Lane, adding that the alimony money does not go directly to the church. But after vows are taken, all expenses are absorbed by the convent.

In a summary presented to the judge, Lane's attorney, Edward D. Rosenberg, said there were two reasons for his client to stop paying alimony.

"First there has been a substantial change of circumstances," Rosenberg said. He explained that when the Lanes were divorced, Mrs. Lane worked as a nurse.

Rosenberg said that Sister Miriam, an official of the order, told him that Sister

Mary Lane would not be expelled from the Wisconsin convent if she no longer received money.

Rosenberg said that he was surprised by the verdict and thought that the judge would at least lower the alimony, if not eliminate it completely.

Rosenberg said he will file for an appeal.

"I FEEL STRONGLY that we should appeal," said Lane, 47. "I paid so much already. I offered a settlement of \$125 or half, but she wanted the full \$250. She said in court she only needed \$180."

Lane was recently transferred to his company's Los Angeles branch but said he will continue to fight the case.

Sister Mary Lane said that her fight for the alimony money was "justifiable." "I gave him 21 years of my life and paid for his education," she said.

Police wrapup

Power, hand tools stolen from site

Approximately \$1,800 worth of power and hand tools were stolen last week from a Buffalo Grove construction site, police said Monday.

The tools, owned by the AABS Electric Co. of Glenview, were taken from the Buffalo Grove Plaza, 430 W. Dundee Rd., some time between 4:30 p.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. Friday. Police said the tools were taken from two storage boxes which had been cut open.

Golf equipment stolen

Several golf clubs, balls and \$2 change were stolen from a garage at 151 Cherrywood Rd., Buffalo Grove police said. The owner, James S. Harrison, told police only selective clubs were taken.

Value of the stolen items was \$125 and the burglary occurred some time between Thursday and Saturday.

Girl injured in collision

A 15-year-old Buffalo Grove girl was treated at Northwest Community Hospital Saturday night for injuries received in a two-car collision at Arlington Heights Road and Bernard Drive-Nichols Road.

Buffalo Grove police said the girl, Valerie Smith, 535 Bernard Dr., was a passenger in a car driven by Donald M. Schwartz II, 17, of 3 Beechwood Court East, Buffalo Grove. The Schwartz vehicle was eastbound, crossing Arlington Heights Road, when it was struck by a car driven by Melvin D. Stas, 25, of 570 Silver Rock Ln., Buffalo Grove, police said.

Stas was charged with driving while intoxicated and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident. Schwartz was charged with failure to yield the right-of-way from a stop sign in the 10:15 p.m. accident. Both will appear June 4 in the Arlington Heights branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

Woman hurt in hit-and-run

A 27-year-old Buffalo Grove woman was injured slightly when her car was struck last Friday afternoon by a hit-and-run vehicle.

Margaret R. Paulson, 529 Trace Dr., was making a left turn at the intersection of Arlington Heights and Dundee roads, when her car was struck in the rear, police said. She was treated at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights.

Police said the only description they have of the other car is that it was a Cougar with dark vinyl over a green body.



VOLUNTEERS HELPED the Wheeling Park District polish off the planting of 260 roses in the new rose garden at Chamber of Commerce Park Saturday. Lending a hand were Diane Winter, Mary Duffy and Mary Scarnavack, all of Maryville Academy. Another 140 will be planted next weekend.

Charge firm laundered Stavros bribe

BY LYNN ASINOF
and BOB CASEY

James Stavros, indicted former Wheeling Township Democratic committeeman, used an excavating firm he admits working for to launder a \$40,000

payoff extorted from a developer in 1970, the U.S. Attorney's office charged Monday.

In court documents containing new disclosures in the Wheeling zoning-extortion scandal, government prosecutors also charged by Stavros and five others indicted with him Jan. 31.

Stavros made threats of bodily harm against four developers as part of a scheme to shake them down for permission to build in the Village of Wheeling.

The total value of cash, goods and services extorted by Stavros topped \$300,000.

After extorting \$40,000 from Tekton Corp. in 1970, Stavros tried to shake down the firm for an additional \$40,000 in 1973.

STAVROS, 3705 WHIRLAWAY Dr., Northbrook, appeared in U.S. District Court Monday and pleaded innocent to a new, eight-count extortion indictment which now replaces the seven-count indictment returned against him Jan. 31 by a special federal grand jury.

The new indictment, returned Friday, resulted in Stavros' trial being continued until May 6 at the request of his attorney, Joel Murray. The trial had been scheduled to begin tomorrow.

The additional count in the new indictment accuses Stavros of extorting \$40,000 from Alfred Hoffman, Jr., president of Tekton, in 1970. The Tekton payoff was alleged previously in a bill of particulars released by the government, but was not one of the formal charges against Stavros.

In a new bill of particulars filed along with the eight-count indictment, the U.S. Attorney's office charged that Stavros forced Hoffman to pay \$40,000 to Country Services Excavators, 3300 N. Milwaukee Ave., on December 24, 1970.

THE PAYOFF WAS made in the form of a check turned over to Stavros and Willis Clark, Country Service president, in the Oakbrook office of Teltion Corp.

"Later the same day," the government charged, "Willis Clark issued two checks to the defendant totaling \$38,500 drawn on the account of Country Service Excavators."

The Country Service firm has surfaced several times in the Wheeling scandal but no one in the company had been previously tied to direct involvement in any of the numerous extortions allegedly committed by Stavros and five others indicted with him Jan. 31.

Stavros last year admitted he was employed by Country Service in testimony given in connection with a damage suit filed by Stavros and William Bieber, village building director also indicted by the grand jury. The two sued a pair of women drivers for lost wages and damages after a Jan. 16, 1973 traffic accident.

THE FOUR DEVELOPERS allegedly threatened by Stavros are: Arthur Zaltzman, president of Chesterfield Development Corp.; Fred Hillman, executive vice president of Chesterfield Development; Jack Netchin, an associate of Hollywood Builders; and Hoffman of Tekton Corp.

The four "received threats of physical harm, causing them to fear for their personal safety, the safety of their families and the safety of their economic interests in Wheeling, Illinois if the (shakedown) payments were not made."

The new allegations raised the total Stavros is accused of extorting in Wheeling to more than \$300,000 in money, goods and services. The previous payoff total listed in both the earlier indictment and bill of particulars against Stavros was \$200,000 and two acres of land in a local development.

THE AMOUNT ALLEGEDLY extorted from Zale Construction Co. between 1967 and 1971 was raised from \$63,000 to \$68,000. The U.S. Attorney's office also put a \$3,000 value on work done on Stavros' house by a painter Zale allegedly forced to hire.

Also raised was the total value of liquor developers allegedly were forced to purchase at Mark Drugs, 303 E. Dundee Rd., Wheeling, for delivery to Stavros' house. The U.S. Attorney's office added \$1,882.85 in liquor purchases for a new total of \$5,443.23.

Willis Clark of Country Service had no comment Monday on the new charges. The Herald disclosed last year that the

firm, which also employs zoning board member Alan Martin, received subcontracts from developers of nine of the 16 major Wheeling projects built in the previous five years.

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Lutheran General to allow abortions to be performed

by KAREN BLECHA

Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge is the first hospital in the Northwest suburbs to allow its doctors to use hospital facilities to perform non-therapeutic abortions.

Such abortions will be allowed during the first three months of pregnancy, L.J. Wyllie, vice president of Human Relations and Resources, said Monday. He said the decision was made by the hospital trustees in January, but has not yet been implemented. Currently the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is drawing up medical regulations for the new policy, which should be effective "in the near future."

Wyllie stressed the new policy is not abortion on demand. To get an abortion at the hospital, a patient must be admitted by a physician on the staff.

"WE ARE NOT setting up an abortion

Earth Day slated

The Buffalo Grove High School Student Council will sponsor Earth Day activities Thursday from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the school, Dundee and Arlington Heights roads, Buffalo Grove.

Activities will be designed to promote environmental protection and the study of ecology.

cause of health risks involved. He said therapeutic abortions will continue to be performed during the second trimester.

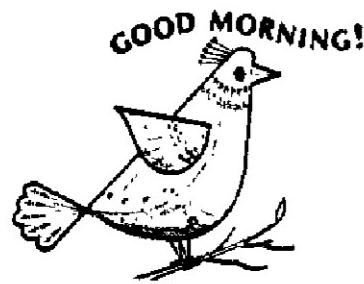
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by STEVE FORSYTH

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could alter the RTA by eliminating objectionable points, RTA opponents believe the option of voting themselves out of the system would be accepted by all five outer counties and probably suburban Cook County, thereby killing the RTA despite the successful referendum.

BLAIR SAID elimination of the RTA does not eliminate the transportation problem in the area, and he said he is drafting legislation, to be explained in the next few days, that would provide a transportation plan for the entire state, excluding any counties that might remain in the RTA.

In a four-city press conference tour that included Wheaton, Joliet, Waukegan and Bartlett (near Elgin), Blair said the overwhelming "no" vote in the areas outside Chicago was not expected, but the high percentage against the RTA mandated that changes be made to make the regional plan more palatable to the suburban counties.

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- Extend protection from eminent domain to include parks and forest preserves.
- Prohibit any fare increases before July 1, 1975, to any carrier expecting RTA operating grants.

THE OPTION TO disconnect would go into effect upon a majority vote of each county board or the suburban Cook County board members, but if suburban Cook County withdrew, the entire RTA would be dissolved.

As for passage of the amendments, Blair said, "If Dan Walker is as sensitive to the people as I think he is, he will sign the bill. If the senators are as sensitive as they should be, they will give it the 30 votes it will need."

Asked if his amendments reflect his scramble to save his political future, since he represents a county that overwhelmingly defeated the referendum, Blair said he is just reacting to the wishes of the voters.

"The machine politics of the City of Chicago carried the day as it has so often in the past," Blair said. "A 12,978-vote margin of victory in an election in which over 1.3 million votes were cast convinces me that the present RTA is

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ILLINOIS HOUSE SPEAKER W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, lines up with suburban anti-RTA legislators as he explains his proposed amendments to alter the RTA and allow counties to withdraw from the new six-county organization.

Republican legislators appearing with him are, from left; Rep. Donald Totten, Hoffman Estates, Sen. David Regner, Mount Prospect, Rep. Leo LaFleur, Bloomingdale, and Rep. Cal Skinner, Crystal Lake.

Cleaning fluid in liquor bottle fatal to girl, 13

by JOHN MAES

It looked and smelled like liquor, and it was in a liquor bottle. But it wasn't. It was window cleaning solvent and when it got into the wrong hands, a 13-year-old Des Plaines girl died.

Funeral services for the victim, Kimberly Ann Doescher, 2119 Chase Ave., will be today.

Police say the death was probably the result of a teen-age adventure of a group of young people wondering what liquor tastes like.

"I DON'T THINK they knew what was in that bottle," said Des Plaines Police Det. Ronald Adams. "To them, it was liquor."

The tragedy began to unfold Wednesday night when two 13-year-olds took the bottle from an auto left on the 1700 block of Linden Street. Adams said the trunk was partially open; the two boys saw the bottle inside and took it.

Even though it was a liquor bottle, the owner of the car told Adams he put a label on it identifying what it contained.

According to police reports, the boys took the bottle over to South School where several other young people were playing.

Adams said only three of the youngsters drank from the bottle. "The Doescher girl probably consumed the most," he added.

One girl who was with the group and also took a drink and was hospitalized, thought the orange liquid looked and smelled like liquor, Adams said.

KIMBERLY STAYED home from school Friday, complaining of chest pains and a headache. When her younger brother tried to awaken her, it was too late. She was pronounced dead on arrival at Lutheran General Hospital.

A spokesman at Lutheran General said window washing solvents contain methol

alcohol, fatal to adults in doses of about two to eight ounces.

Mrs. Renee Lamoka, emergency room manager at Holy Family Hospital, said the circumstances were particularly unfortunate because the girl's chest pains and headache could easily have been mistaken for flu symptoms.

She warned consumers against storing lethal fluids in anything other than their original containers. "Even if it's relabeled, it's not a good practice," she said. "It's not 100 per cent foolproof."

The owner of the auto, who police declined to name, told Adams the solvent came in a gallon container. He said he stored part of it in his trunk, leaving the rest in the original jug.

Pair face charges of fake prescription

Two Arlington Heights youths were charged with trying to get bonus prescriptions filled at a Des Plaines pharmacy.

According to reports, Joseph Robinson, 19, of 2317 Park, and Patricia Englebretsen, 19, of 1628 Highland, were taken into custody Friday, near the Jewel-Osco Pharmacy, 811 Elmhurst Rd.

Police said a druggist became suspicious of Robinson when he handed him the prescription for Tuinal, a barbiturate.

The pharmacist, Daniel Terraccia, checked the prescription, found it was false and called police.

The youths then reportedly left the store but police got a description of the auto and stopped it a short distance away.

The youths were later freed on bond and are to appear May 23 in Des Plaines branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

Art Hodes to play at Maine North

Jazz pianist Art Hodes and his Dixieland Band will entertain at Maine North High School's "Rites of Spring" on Tuesday May 7 at 8 p.m. Gus Giordano's Contemporary Jazz Dance Company will share the program with Hodes.

Hodes, a pioneer in Chicago jazz, received his musical training at Chicago's Hull House where he had his first jam session.

"A small lad, clarinet in hand, joined me on the bandstand," Hodes recalled. "I was playing for dancers. The kid's name was Bennie Goodman."

Hodes has played jazz concerts at

Town Hall and Carnegie Hall several times. He has also played at Yale, Harvard, Smith College, and the list goes on. By 1938 Hodes had performed in Chicago's Chez Paree and Colosimo's which was famous in Capone history. His credentials also include one year on radio station WNYC as a jazz commentator and pianist and five years as editor, writer, and co-publisher of "Jazz Record."

Tickets for the evening performance May 7 may be reserved in the Maine North bookstore or by calling 727-2345 or 298-5500. A \$2.50 donation for adults and a \$1.50 donation for children will be accepted.

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Motel theft reported

Burglars broke into a storage room at the DeVille Motel 1275 Lee St. Des Plaines and stole a calculator and a case of tools valued at \$500, according to police.

An employee told police he found a padlock pried off the door early Saturday and the machine and tools stolen.

Fall Valparaiso graduate

Gary Albert Pleckhardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Pleckhardt, 304 Arnold Court, Des Plaines was one of 123 graduates at the end of the fall semester at Valparaiso University.

Pleckhardt was awarded a Bachelor's degree in business administration.

The meeting will be closed to the public.

CITY OFFICIALS are expected to be there to discuss the details of a new federal program designed to subsidize rental units.

The guidelines, which were prepared by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, set down provisions which permit local housing authorities to enter into agreements with private contractors or apartment managers to rent apartments to persons with low and moderate incomes.

LWV officials indicate they are not trying to rekindle the controversial low and moderate income housing issue in Des

Plaines, but rather present city officials with current information relating to subsidized programs.

Officials of the Regional Housing Coalition said that the subsidized leasing program may be the only one which area communities can take part in at this time.

HENRY ZUBA, northwest coordinator for the coalition, said he has been invited to the meeting to explain the details of a voluntary housing plan announced by the coalition last year.

The coalition proposed a major housing plan for the six-county Chicago metropolitan area which was designed as a voluntary alternative to court-ordered distribution of low- and moderate-income housing.

Zuba said yesterday that it is believed the leasing program may be the primary means of providing subsidized housing for low- and moderate-income families for at least the next year.

Some officials expect the current moratorium on funds for federally-subsidized housing programs might be lifted or at least modified in the near future to make some money available to subsidized housing programs.

Lutheran General to allow abortions to be performed

by KAREN BLECHA

Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge is the first hospital in the Northwest suburbs to allow its doctors to use hospital facilities to perform non-therapeutic abortions.

Such abortions will be allowed during the first three months of pregnancy, L.J. Wylie, vice president of Human Relations and Resources, said Monday. He said the decision was made by the hospital trustees in January, but has not yet been implemented. Currently the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is drawing up medical regulations for the new policy, which should be effective "in the near future."

Wylie stressed the new policy is not abortion on demand. To get an abortion at the hospital, a patient must be admitted by a physician on the staff.

"WE ARE NOT setting up an abortion clinic. We are trying to deal with providing a service," he said.

Lutheran General is the first hospital in the area to change its abortion policy. Previously, the hospital performed abortions only if the mother's life was in danger. Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights performs abortions only if the mother's health is endanger-

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Prospective nun's alimony must continue, judge rules

by BETTY LEE

A divorced woman preparing to be a nun in a Wisconsin convent will continue to receive alimony payments from her former husband, a circuit court judge ruled Monday, saying her circumstances had not changed sufficiently for alimony to be ended.

Sister Mary A. Lane, 48, a novice at the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary in Milwaukee, appeared in Cook County Circuit Court Monday and testified she needed the \$250-a-month alimony to pay for medical expenses. Dressed in a plain navy blue dress and with her hair wrapped in a scarf, she told the judge that the convent does not pay for these expenses until she takes her final vows.

Her former husband, James Lane, 1003 E. Central Rd., Arlington Heights, sought

to stop alimony payments because he said she has "remarried" the church.

A DECISION FROM JUDGE Judge Robert L. Hunter requires Lane to continue paying alimony to his former wife.

"In my opinion, there is not sufficient change of circumstances to reduce or eliminate alimony," Judge Hunter said.

The Lanes were divorced in 1970 after 20 years of marriage. Two years ago the former Mrs. Lane entered the convent of 16 members. Lane has remarried and has custody of one of their three children. A step-daughter also resides with them.

Lane, a marketing representative for an insurance company in Chicago, testified he could not pay the alimony and stated he does not object to his former wife entering a convent.

"I simply can't afford to pay her," Lane said. "It's not because of her religious activity." He added that he will begin paying college expenses this fall for his stepdaughter, Suzanne.

Lane's present wife, Marguerite, told the judge that without her job, she and her husband would be unable to pay the bills. "I work to support my daughter, my husband, myself and to support Mary Lane," she said, adding that she sometimes works overtime at the laboratory where she is employed.

Lane's son, Scott, testified that he is employed full time and pays the family \$20 a week for room and board.

THERE ARE ONLY three members of the convent who receive money from outside the order, said Sister Mary Lane. She contended she needs approximately

\$180 a month to pay for clothing, traveling, medical, health and life insurance expenses even though she has \$3,000 in savings bonds.

A novice would be able to take her final vows after three to six years said Sister May Lane, adding that the alimony money does not go directly to the church. But after vows are taken, all expenses are absorbed by the convent.

In a summary presented to the judge, Lane's attorney, Edward D. Rosenberg, said there were two reasons for his client to stop paying alimony.

"First there has been a substantial change of circumstances," Rosenberg said. He explained that when the Lanes were divorced, Mrs. Lane worked as a nurse.

Rosenberg said that Sister Miriam, an official of the order, told him that Sister

Mary Lane would not be expelled from the Wisconsin convent if she no longer received money.

Rosenberg said that he was surprised by the verdict and thought that the judge would at least lower the alimony, if not eliminate it completely.

Rosenberg said he will file for an appeal.

"I FEEL STRONGLY that we should appeal," said Lane, 47. "I paid so much already. I offered a settlement of \$125 or half, but she wanted the full \$250. She said in court she only needed \$100."

Lane was recently transferred to his company's Los Angeles branch but said he will continue to fight the case.

Sister Mary Lane said that her fight for the alimony money was "justifiable." "I gave him 21 years of my life and paid for his education," she said.

Mikva and Young will slug it out until November

by STEVE BROWN

U news analysis

The dust from the 1972 campaign never really settled. And so far it does not appear that the twin tornadoes — Abner Mikva and Sam Young — will slow their sprinter's pace until they cross the wire on election day in November.

The race for the congressional seat in the 10th District has been tabbed the hottest in Illinois this year and it has all the signs of living up to its label.

Abner Mikva, a former two-term Congressman who was redistricted out of his seat on Chicago's South Side, is hoping to make a comeback.

Young, with a year and a half of Congressional experience, is trying hard to widen the slim 7,000-vote margin that sent him to Washington in 1972.

YOUNG IS STRIVING to keep the debacle of Watergate from becoming the shield upon which he is carried from the halls of Congress next year. He is carefully putting a good arm's distance between himself and the Nixon administration, which has hung like a milestone around his neck since the Watergate pot began to boil over, catching practically everyone from the old "Nixon Team."

Mikva, on the other hand, has had bag and baggage in Evanston for two years now and is hoping the "carpetbagger" charges which dogged him in the first campaign are a thing of the past. He left Washington and returned to the land of Lincoln to regroup for another attack at Young and his seat.

The campaign has never really ended for either man. Young learned quickly the old axiom that a congressman never gets off the campaign trail.

HE HAS TRIED to spend his time wisely in what some observers believe is an impressive list of programs aimed at getting to the voters.

Young has made more than 50 trips back to his district to meet with plain old constituents in "One on One" sessions. In January, of all months, Young dusted off a pair of paratrooper's jump boots and in the best tradition of Walker, Lawton Chiles and Missouri's Joe Teasdale, stepped off to walk through the 15 towns in the 10th District.

Young says he doesn't plan to begin his campaign until after Labor Day, but he has already made at least one campaign speech which blasted Mikva and the Democrats for just about everything. Obviously, his dozens of "pre-campaign" speeches and appearances will attract a few votes in November.

Mikva has also been racing around at breakneck pace since officially starting his campaign last November — just a week shy of the 1972 election. Mikva has made speeches to groups of all shapes and sizes, both in the district and out.

With a penchant for political reform, Mikva has parlayed his seat on the state Ethics Board and the Watergate scandal to a good position.

FROM THE WINE-and cheese-tasting parties with Evanston State Rep. Joe Lundy to speeches in Salem, Illinois, Mikva has attempted to gain media attention and voter recognition.

Jack Marco, a former administrative aide to "Congressman" Mikva, quit his post as director of the state Environmental Protection Agency to rejoin his old boss.

The Mikva staff has kept up a steady barrage of campaign literature with candidate Mikva commenting on just about every issue from gun control to waste treatment facilities.

Round two of the race to Congress between Mikva and Young seems to have just about all the same signs as the first round, except a few critical indicators are turned around.

Instead of Young having the all-impor-

Makes honor roll list

Lisa Lampert of 415 Westmore Rd., Des Plaines has been named to the honor roll for the fall semester at the University of Wisconsin.

Cumberland School PTA will sponsor a bike rodeo Saturday, April 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the school, 700 Golf Rd.

An obstacle course will test the riders' skills and a safety test will be given.

Free bicycle licenses will be distributed to participants. The rodeo is open to students and adults.

Patrolman Bob Nell will be in charge, assisted by Des Plaines Jaycees and Cumberland School parents. In case of rain the rodeo will be May 4.

The Maine West Aquana Swim Club will present "Out of the Blue" Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:30 p.m.

Featured in this year's annual show will be Susan Jenik in "Naja Naja," Terri Androff and Cindy Miller in "Double Trouble," Carol Cahill and Nancy Franklin in "Duet," and Jackie March and Sandy Schellenberger.

The students may buy calendars in the fall, and the proceeds go to the Maine West Student Council.

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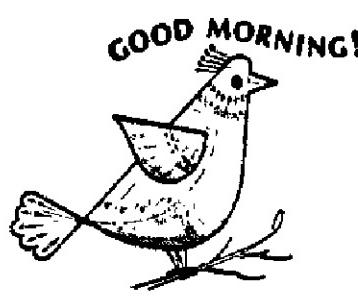
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25-cent Saturday bus to be added to village service

by JERRY THOMAS

A regular 25-cent-a-ride Saturday bus will be added to the Elk Grove Village in-town bus service beginning this week.

In addition, a weekly bus to Woodfield Shopping Center in Schaumburg may be provided to village residents if opposition from local merchants can be overcome.

Saturday dial-a-ride bus service for Elk Grove Village residents is expected to receive village board approval today.

"With our daily in-town bus service so much in demand and considering the hundreds of calls we have had to begin a Saturday bus, the proposal should win the approval of my fellow board members," said Trustee Nanci Vanderweel.

She said that during last week's spring school vacation the two dial-a-ride buses carried a record 690 passengers during five week day service days.

"THIS IS A TIP off to what summer demand for in-town bus rides is going to be like — and we like it," she said.

The Davidmeyer Bus Co. provides buses and drivers for both the in-town service and commuter service to the Chicago and North Western Ry. train station in Arlington Heights.

The in-town dial-a-ride service averages about 80 riders a day. "Davidmeyer officials tell us when we reach an average of 75 riders a day we should consider using two buses," said Mrs. Vanderweel.

"Expansion of the bus service to Saturdays was our first concern and now we will start talking about a special once a week bus to Woodfield shopping center in Schaumburg," said Mrs. Vanderweel.

She said she expects opposition to the bus to Woodfield from local merchants.

"I HAVE HEARD that representatives of the merchants' association will protest any consideration of a Schaumburg bus

by our village board," she added. "My only answer to such criticism is that the bus service provides something residents want obviously from the figures we keep of use. I do not believe a once weekly bus to Woodfield will create economic havoc in our own business community," she said.

"Apparently some of our local merchants think this bus service would be encouraging people to spend money outside the community," she said.

Mrs. Vanderweel said she finds it impossible to ignore residents' pleas for a Woodfield bus. "The center is a tourist attraction for people from all over and a favorite special luncheon stop for many residents. It offers mall exhibits in addition to specialty shops unfortunately not found in Elk Grove Village," she said.

"WE MUST FACE the fact that not all of an Elk Grove resident's shopping is done in Elk Grove Village," said the trustee.

Although the Saturday bus ride fee will be 25 cents the same as the weekday fare, if the board were to decide on a special Woodfield bus, the fee would probably be around \$1 said Mrs. Vanderweel.

The dial-a-ride service operates on telephone demand. Residents who want to go anywhere in the village may call 437-3769 or 593-9785 for service.

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Burglary loss \$595 at machine sales

The Currier Machine Sales offices at 2429 Devon Ave., Elk Grove Village were broken Sunday of office equipment valued at \$595.

The firm reported that a radio, typewriter, camera and liquor were missing from the locked main office.

Police reports indicate there were no signs of forced entry into the building or office area.

by KAREN BLECHA

Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge is the first hospital in the Northwest suburbs to allow its doctors to use hospital facilities to perform non-therapeutic abortions.

Such abortions will be allowed during the first three months of pregnancy, L.J. Wylie, vice president of Human Relations and Resources, said Monday. He said the decision was made by the hospital trustees in January, but has not yet been implemented. Currently the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is drawing up medical regulations for the new policy, which should be effective "in the near future."

Wylie stressed the new policy is not abortion on demand. To get an abortion at the hospital, a patient must be admitted by a physician on the staff.

"WE ARE NOT setting up an abortion clinic. We are trying to deal with providing a service," he said.

Lutheran General is the first hospital in the area to change its abortion policy. Previously, the hospital performed abortions only if the mother's life was in danger. Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights performs abortions only if the mother's health is endanger-

ed. Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village, and Holy Family Hospital in Des Plaines do not perform abortions at all.

Although the final decision was made by Lutheran General's trustees, a task force of nurses, doctors, theologians and administrators studied the abortion issue since the Supreme Court ruled in January, 1973, that abortions are legal during the first six months of pregnancy. Abortions became legal in Illinois on March 1, 1973 although the state has the right to regulate abortions during the second trimester of pregnancy.

WYLIE SAID THE Supreme Court decision made the hospital reconsider its policy, but was not the reason for changing it. "The decision itself was prompted by our consideration of what the availability of our services should be to the community. We are not just approaching this willy-nilly. We are approaching this with the same seriousness as any service in a hospital," he said.

He said the new policy does not extend to the second trimester of pregnancy because of health risks involved. He said therapeutic abortions will continue to be performed during the second trimester.

The hospital's new abortion policy requires parental consent for a person un-

der 18 years old. The policy also states consent be obtained from both parties involved in the pregnancy whenever possible.

WYLIE SAID individual physicians will determine if a patient should be admitted for an abortion. The physician will decide what type of procedure will be performed. He said the hospital has no set costs for an abortion and that a patient would not necessarily have to stay overnight. The hospital will provide counseling both before and after the abortion.

Hospital personnel who do not want to participate in an abortion will not be forced to. There are doctors willing to perform abortions and nurses willing to assist, Wylie said.

He said if a person calls the hospital requesting an abortion, she will be referred to a physician. He said he expects most people seeking abortions at the hospital will be middle-aged couples who have decided they do not want another child in the family.

Wylie stressed the policy is not in conflict with the statements of the American Lutheran Churches. The group's position states that each case should be considered individually, he said.

Jane Broten hired as coordinator

Community Service-mental health center tie broken

One of the last major ties between Elk Grove Village Community Service and the Elk Grove-Schaumburg Townships Mental Health Center apparently is broken.

Jane Broten has been hired by the Community Service board as services coordinator. She is eventually expected to take over the duties of Jordan Rosen, current executive director of Community Service.

Mrs. Broten, director of the Holy Spirit Lutheran Church's nursery school, will assume her duties on a part-time basis until her school commitments are fulfilled in June and will then work full time.

ROSEN, WHO IS also executive director of the Elk Grove-Schaumburg Townships Mental Health Center, is expected

to remain with Community Service until mid-summer, helping Mrs. Broten get established.

According to Mrs. Broten, a new phone number for Community Service, which now operates out of the Mental Health Center, will be established as soon as office space can be found.

A graduate of Valparaiso University with a double major in sociology and social work, Mrs. Broten previously has worked with the local Headstart program as a social worker and member of the board. She was also a member of the board of the Northwest Mental Health Assn.

Community Service, which has been part of Elk Grove Village since 1966, first organized the Mental Health Center, which soon grew to surpass Community Service in size.

SINCE THE MENTAL health center was established, the role of Community Service diminished as the group lost its momentum. Village officials, especially Pres. Charles Zetek, pushed for a more distinct separation of the two groups. The Community Service and Mental Health boards, which had many common members, reorganized earlier this year for more distinct membership.

Rosen, who had been serving as director for both agencies, will now be able to concentrate on his duties as director of the mental health center.

The tentative community service budget, which has been submitted to the village board for approval, calls for Mrs. Broten to receive an annual salary of \$9,000.

Seminar on mental health Thursday

"Communications in Marriage — Breakdown and Repair," the third in a continuing series of seminars sponsored by the Elk Grove-Schaumburg Townships Mental Health Center, is scheduled for Thursday night.

Speaker at the seminar, which will be held in the Hoffman High School cafeteria, will be Robert Powers, dean of students at the Alfred Adler Institute of Chicago.

Powers holds several advanced degrees from Yale University and the University of Chicago and is a psychologist who has developed many innovations in methods of counseling.

The free seminar will start at 7:30 p.m. at the school, 1100 W. Higgins Rd., Hoffman Estates.

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Persons who wish to donate blood may do so now by contacting Alexian Brothers Medical Center at 437-5900 for an appointment for the April 23 and May 4 hospital drives.

Trustees Nanci Vanderweel, chairman of the blood program, may be contacted at the village hall at 439-3900 for further information.

Prospective nun's alimony must continue, judge rules

by BETTY LEE

A divorced woman preparing to be a nun in a Wisconsin convent will continue to receive alimony payments from her former husband, a circuit court judge ruled Monday, saying her circumstances had not changed sufficiently for alimony to be ended.

Sister Mary A. Lane, 47, a novice at the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary in Milwaukee, appeared in Cook County Circuit Court Monday and testified she needed the \$250-a-month alimony to pay for medical expenses. Dressed in a plain navy blue dress and with her hair wrapped in a scarf, she told the judge that the convent does not pay for these expenses until she takes her final vows.

Her former husband, James Lane, 1025 E. Central Rd., Arlington Heights, sought

to stop alimony payments because he said she has "remarried" the church.

A DECISION FROM Judge Robert L. Hunter requires Lane to continue paying alimony to his former wife.

"In my opinion, there is not sufficient change of circumstances to reduce or eliminate alimony," Judge Hunter said.

The Lanes were divorced in 1970 after 26 years of marriage. Two years ago the former Mrs. Lane entered the convent of 16 members. Lane has remarried and has custody of one of their three children. A step-daughter also resides with them.

Lane, a marketing representative for an insurance company in Chicago, testified he could not pay the alimony and stated he does not object to his former wife entering a convent.

"I simply can't afford to pay her," Lane said. "It's not because of her religious activity." He added that he will begin paying college expenses this fall for his stepdaughter, Suzanne.

Lane's present wife, Marguerite, told the judge that without her job, she and her husband would be unable to pay the bills. "I work to support my daughter, my husband, myself and to support Mary Lane," she said, adding that she sometimes works overtime at the laboratory where she is employed.

Lane's son, Scott, testified that he is employed full time and pays the family \$20 a week for room and board.

THESE ARE ONLY three members of the convent who receive money from outside the order, said Sister Mary Lane. She contended she needs approximately

\$180 a month to pay for clothing, traveling, medical, health and life insurance expenses even though she has \$3,000 in savings bonds.

A novice would be able to take her final vows after three to six years said Sister Mary Lane, adding that the alimony money does not go directly to the church. But after vows are taken, all expenses are absorbed by the convent.

In a summary presented to the judge, Lane's attorney, Edward D. Rosenberg, said there were two reasons for his client to stop paying alimony.

"First there has been a substantial change of circumstances," Rosenberg said. He explained that when the Lanes were divorced, Mrs. Lane worked as a nurse.

Rosenberg said that Sister Miriam, an official of the order, told him that Sister

Mary Lane would not be expelled from the Wisconsin convent if she no longer received money.

Rosenberg said that he was surprised by the verdict and thought that the judge would at least lower the alimony, if not eliminate it completely.

Rosenberg said he will file for an appeal.

"I FEEL STRONGLY that we should appeal," said Lane, 47. "I paid so much already. I offered a settlement of \$125 or half, but she wanted the full \$250. She said in court she only needed \$100."

Lane was recently transferred to his company's Los Angeles branch but said he will continue to fight the case.

Sister Mary Lane said that her fight for the alimony money was "justifiable." "I gave him 21 years of my life and paid for his education," she said.

Cleaning fluid in liquor bottle fatal to girl, 13

by JOHN MAES

It looked and smelled like liquor, and it was in a liquor bottle. But it wasn't. It was window cleaning solvent and when it got into the wrong hands, a 13-year-old Des Plaines girl died.

Funeral services for the victim, Kimberly Ann Doescher, 2119 Chase Ave., will be today.

Police say the death was probably the result of a teen-age adventure of a group of young people wondering what liquor tastes like.

"I DON'T THINK they know what was in that bottle," said Des Plaines Police Det. Ronald Adams. "To them, it was liquor."

The tragedy began to unfold Wednesday night when two 13-year-olds took the bottle from an auto left on the 1700 block of Linden Street. Adams said the trunk was partially open; the two boys saw the bottle inside and took it.

Even though it was a liquor bottle, the owner of the car told Adams he put a label on it identifying what it contained.

According to police reports, the boys took the bottle over to South School where several other young people were playing.

Adams said only three of the youngsters drank from the bottle. "The Doescher girl probably consumed the most," he added.

One girl who was with the group and also took a drink and was hospitalized, thought the orange liquid looked and smelled like liquor, Adams said.

KIMBERLY STAYED home from school Friday, complaining of chest pains and a headache. When her younger brother tried to awaken her, it was too late. She was pronounced dead on arrival at Lutheran General Hospital.

A spokesman at Lutheran General said window washing solvents contain methyl alcohol, fatal to adults in doses of about two to eight ounces.

Mrs. Renee Lameka, emergency room manager at Holy Family Hospital, said the circumstances were particularly unfortunate because the girl's chest pains and headache could easily have been mistaken for flu symptoms.

She warned consumers against storing lethal fluids in anything other than their original containers. "Even if it's rebottled, it's not a good practice," she said. "It's not 100 per cent foolproof."

The owner of the auto, who police declined to name, told Adams the solvent came in a gallon container. He said he stored part of it in his trunk, leaving the rest in the original jug.

Johannesen new president of Suburban National Bank

Thomas M. Johannesen has been elected president of the Suburban National Bank of Elk Grove Village, Devon and Toucey roads.

He is the former vice president and cashier of the recently opened Suburban National Bank of Woodfield, Schaumburg.

Prior to that he was with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. for six years. He held the title of bank examiner before leaving in 1973 to help in the organization of the Suburban National Bank.

Johannesen received a Master's degree as a finance major from DePaul University, after graduating from Wisconsin State University as a marketing major.

Johannesen resides in Elk Grove Village with his wife, Claire, and two children.

He is a member of the Bank Administration Institute and the American Institute of Banking. Locally he is active as a member of the Elk Grove Jaycees, presently serving as their co-chairman for the Elk Grove Community Blood Program.

He also is active at the St. Julian Episcopal Church, Elk Grove Village.

Johannesen is replacing C. Michael Reese, who has taken up duties as president of the \$14 million Bank of Northfield. Eugene E. White, chairman of the board of the Bank of Northfield, announced Reese's appointment.

Reese was born in Elgin, graduated from Barrington High School, Valparaiso University, and received a MBA from Northwestern University.

He is a director of the Elk Grove Association of Industry and Commerce, a charter member and past treasurer of the Rotary Club of Elk Grove Village. 1974 president of the Northwest Toastmasters Club, was recently nominated



Thomas Johannesen

C. Michael Reese

to a directorship in the Bank Administration Institute, and is Elk Grove chairman of sustaining membership enrollment for the Boy Scouts of America.

Reese, his wife, Jennifer, and their daughter, Becky, will leave their Elk Grove home shortly to take up residence in the Northfield area.

Reese succeeds Larry L. McGregor, formerly president of the Bank of Northfield, who becomes president of the Wheaton National Bank.

Gas pump stolen

Elk Grove Village police are investigating the theft of a gas powered pump Saturday from a home under construction at 1325 Park Pl., Winston Grove, Elk Grove Village.

Winston Grove Construction Co. representatives reported the pump, valued at \$200, was taken from a locked garage over the weekend.

Six make SIU dean's list

Six Elk Grove Village students at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale have been named to the dean's list.

They are: Kathleen Dunnigan, 807 Boone Ave.; Heidi Fron, 201 Smethwick Ln.; Pamela Glass, 104 Essex Rd.; Barbara Sztanski, 208 Fern Dr.; and Joyce Zemba, 508 Woodview Ave.



DAVE BARNHILL, a fourth-grade student at Link School, looks over the books which will be offered at the school's book fair this week. Parents can view the

books tonight at 6:30 p.m. before a fifth-and sixth-grade chorus spring concert. Children may buy books today, Wednesday and Thursday from 1 to 2 p.m.

Plus cost of living increases

High school teachers ask 10% pay hike

by KATHERINE BOYCE

High School Dist. 211 teachers are asking for a 10 per cent increase in salary next year and additional raises during the year based on increases in the cost of living.

Dan O'Brien, president of the Dist. 211 Education Assn., said last week he believes, "We are the first education association to propose such a thing."

The association is asking the district to increase the base salary for beginning teachers by 10 per cent from \$9,350 to \$9,350 with similar increases through the salary schedule, said O'Brien.

Additional raises would be given during the year based on the consumer price index, which is published quarterly by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. According to the teachers' proposal, if the index goes up more than 1 per cent per quarter, each teacher's salary would be raised by the full amount of the increase.

Negotiations between the teachers' association and the Dist. 211 board of education began in February. O'Brien said the two sides have barely begun to discuss salary increases but he doesn't think the teachers' plan will be readily accepted by the board. Robert Creek, president of the board, refused comment on negotiations except to say salary items will be negotiated.

THE TEACHERS deserve a 10 per cent increase in salary to keep up with the cost of living, said O'Brien. "Everything you look at shows the teachers have been losers for the last 10 years, in fact they have been losers for the past 50 years," he said.

Last year the teachers agreed to a 4 per cent increase in salary in June. O'Brien said they actually took about a 4.7 per cent cut in pay because the consumer price index increased about 6.8 per cent last year. This year they hope to make up for it, he said. "The state of economy in the past seven years has

never allowed teachers to catch up on the cost of living," he said.

O'Brien said he is optimistic the teachers are going to get "a good settlement" but at this point the teachers and the board are "very far apart" on reaching an agreement.

Among the other items being negotiated this year are fringe benefits, sick leave, summer school pay, pay for extracurricular activities and guidelines for the size of classes.

THE TEACHERS' association would like the district to recognize pregnancy as an illness which would allow teachers to use their sick pay while having a

babies, said O'Brien. Now a teacher must go on a leave of absence without pay while she has a child. The U.S. Supreme Court recently ruled the employment rights of a pregnant teacher are protected by the 14th Amendment to the Constitution.

O'Brien said the teacher's association

interprets the ruling to mean that teachers can use up to 30 calendar days of sick pay for pregnancy. According to O'Brien "the board is saying the recent Supreme Court ruling merely says a teacher that is pregnant has to be guaranteed due process" and has refused to grant the sick pay.

The teachers are also seeking raises in summer school salary and extra-curricular pay, said O'Brien. They want summer school salaries increased from \$170 per week to \$250 per week to place teachers on a par with guidance counselors who work during the summer. Summer school has been "treated as a separate entity and we don't think it should be," said O'Brien.

A 10 PER CENT increase in pay for extra-curricular activities and for coaches' salaries is also being requested, said O'Brien. If the teachers' proposal is accepted, the beginning salary of a head football, basketball or track coach would be increased from \$735 to \$800 per year in addition to his regular salary, and the beginning salary for a band director would be increased from \$420 to \$462 per year in addition to regular salary.

O'Brien said the board wants to freeze extra-curricular and coaching salaries at the present level.

Teachers are proposing a committee of teachers and administrators be created next year to set up guidelines for the size of classes for the 1975-76 school year. O'Brien said the teachers want a more concrete agreement on the size of their classes. The present agreement says the board agrees to "observe within reason-

The local scene

Browning student teaching

Robert Browning, a senior in the College of Education at the University of Oklahoma is student teaching in the Oklahoma City metropolitan area during the spring semester.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Browning of 1313 Cumberland Circle East, Elk Grove Village.

Oklahoma U. honor roll

Three Elk Grove Village students have been named to the honor roll with straight A averages at the University of Oklahoma.

Receiving the honor is Barbara Baumister, William Browning and Janice Walls.

Police link 8 in theft of stereo gear

Elk Grove Police arrested three men for burglary and five others for possession of stolen goods Sunday, recovering \$4,500 worth of stereo equipment from a March 18 burglary in Elk Grove Village.

The arrests resulted from a detective division investigation of the burglary at Distribution International Inc. at 2300 Lively Blvd.

Burglary suspects are Michael J. Holmes, 24, 1994 Algonquin Rd.; Herbert Banach 24, of 1988 Algonquin Rd., both of Mount Prospect; and Gerald F. Schultz, 24, of 3040 Medill St., Chicago.

Holmes and Schultz are free on \$2,500 bond and Banach, who was unable to post bond, is being held in Du Page County jail. All three must appear in Du Page County Circuit Court April 29 to answer the burglary charge.

Elk Grove Village police recovered nine four-channel stereo FM receivers and charged five men with possession of stolen property. The equipment is allegedly part of more than \$7,000 in stereo equipment taken in the incident.

THEY ARE Stanley Moore, 22, of 1785 Evergreen St., Hanover Park; Michael Kinyon, 22, and Eugene Kinyon, 20, both of 2316 Kingfisher Ln., Rolling Meadows; Terrance Burke, 22, of 1801 Cottonwood St., Mount Prospect; and Christopher Elderson, 20, of 1427 N. Valley Lake, Schaumburg.

The suspects were released on \$1,750 bond and also must appear in the Du Page court April 29.

Elk Grove Village Police Lt. William Kohnke said the detective division developed information leading to the arrests from information provided them by Cook County Sheriff's Police.

"Cook County police had information and serial numbers of stereos being sold and that information together with information from one of the suspects led to other arrests," said Kohnke.

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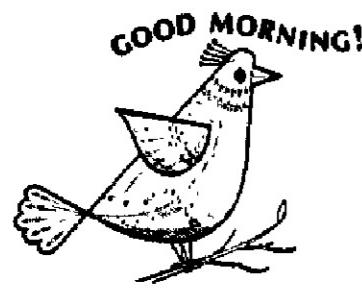
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House speaker expects backing of assembly, governor

Blair predicts death of or change in RTA

by STEVE FORSYTHE

Illinois House Speaker W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, Monday predicted that amendments to alter or kill the Regional Transportation Authority will be passed by the General Assembly and signed by Gov. Daniel Walker.

At a series of suburban press conferences, Blair said he plans to introduce extensive amendments today, including a provision that would allow any county in the six-county RTA to withdraw by a majority vote of the county board, or the suburban county board members in Cook County.

Because he was a leading proponent of the RTA before the March 19 election, Blair's amendments took suburban legislators by surprise last week. He explained his about-face by saying his new position is a result of "listening to the will of the people."

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\$325,000 bond sale for fire station approved

The Palatine Village Board Monday approved the sale of \$325,000 in general obligation bonds to finance the addition to the Colfax Street fire station and public works garage improvements.

The board accepted the low bid from Northern Trust Co. of a 5.23 per cent interest rate on the \$325,000 bond issue which will mature over a 10-year period.

The bid was one of seven received. Interest rates on the bonds ranged from 5.23 per cent to 5.46 per cent. Paul D. Speer, of Paul D. Speer and Assoc., Inc., municipal finance consultants, said he thought the bids were very good and attributed it to the village's A-1 bond rating.

Sale of the bonds will result in an average tax rate increase of approximately 30 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. This means a homeowner with a home valued at \$11,515 would pay an average of \$3.45 annually for the bonds.

TRUSTEE Bryan P. Coughlin Jr., who has been vocal in critical of village budgetary practices, was not at the meeting

as he is still recovering from surgery. Coughlin and trustee Fred H. Zajonc have both opposed the issuance of the bonds and argued cuts should be made in the 1974-75 village budget to finance the public improvements.

Zajonc was the only trustee who voted against the bond sale. Trustee Richard W. Fonte said there was no way the \$325,000 could be taken from this year's budget without making personnel cuts.

Fonte pointed out the overall tax rate of the village will not increase from last year with the sale of the bonds because the village has approved a 60-cent per \$1,000 of assessed valuation reduction in taxes. The overall effect now will be a 30-cent per \$1,000 reduction.

He said that if the sale had raised the tax rate he would have favored going to the voters in a referendum.

The addition to the Colfax Street fire station is expected to cost \$228,000. The remaining money will be spent for equipment and improvements at the public works garage on Illinois Avenue.

The Hicks Road widening project may receive federal clearance this week enabling state highway officials to meet the June 28 bid-opening date for the project.

Representatives of the Illinois Highway Department and Federal Highway Administration will be meeting in Springfield this week to discuss the project. State officials hope to be given the go-ahead for the widening of Hicks Road between Baldwin and Rand roads from two to four lanes.

The major obstacle to federal clearance of the project is the proposed realignment of the Buffalo Creek tributary on Cook County Forest Preserve property, said Henry Yamanaka, a spokesman for the Illinois Highway Department.

FEDERAL LAW requires special forms to be prepared justifying occupancy of public land. State highway officials hope to be able to bypass this requirement since no public land is being bought for right-of-way of the project and the realignment is being done at the request of the forest preserve district.

If permission to bypass the federal requirement is denied, state officials hope to at least receive a commitment that the forms will be processed rapidly so as not to delay the project. The forms justifying the occupancy of public land already have been prepared and submitted to the U.S. Department of Transportation Division of Engineering for approval.

Engineering work has been completed on the Hicks Road project and the state will be able to let bids in June if federal clearance is granted, said Yamanaka.

THE PROJECTED cost of the widening is nearly \$2 million with 30 per cent paid by the state and the remaining 70 per cent paid by the federal government through the Federal Aid Urban program.

The plans call for the widening of the road from two to four lanes divided by a 16-foot median, left turn lanes at major intersections, curbs and a closed drainage system. The village will pay for sidewalk installation.

The work is part of a three-phase project calling for the widening of more than a six-mile stretch of Hicks Road between Euclid Avenue and Rand Road.

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WYLIE SAID THE Supreme Court decision made the hospital reconsider its policy, but was not the reason for changing it. "The decision itself was prompted by our consideration of what the availability of our services should be to the community. We are not just approaching this willy-nilly. We are approaching this with the same seriousness as any service in a hospital," he said.

He said the new policy does not extend to the second trimester of pregnancy because of health risks involved. He said therapeutic abortions will continue to be performed during the second trimester.

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Hospital personnel who do not want to participate in an abortion will not be forced to. There are doctors willing to perform abortions and nurses willing to assist, Wylie said.

He said if a person calls the hospital requesting an abortion, she will be referred to a physician. He said he expects most people seeking abortions at the hospital will be middle-aged couples who have decided they do not want another child in the family.

Wylie stressed the policy is not in conflict with the statements of the American Lutheran Churches. The group's position states that each case should be considered individually, he said.

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Architect tabbed to head library

Robert Jessen, a professional architect, has been nominated for president of the Palatine Library Board for 1974-75.

Jessen and a slate of officers will be elected at the May 8 board meeting, after being recommended by the board's nominating committee. Other officers will be Gerald McElroy, vice-president; Michael Foley, secretary, and Mabel Ellering, treasurer.

The current board president is Judith Gamoran. In recent years, offices have been rotated on a regular schedule among the seven board members.

Trustee Coughlin 'serious, improving'

Palatine Village Trustee Bryan P. Coughlin Jr.'s condition was listed as serious but improving Monday at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights.

Coughlin 43, underwent emergency sur-

gery on Saturday for a perforated ulcer after complaining of severe abdominal pains. Coughlin, 512 MacArthur, was elected to the village board a year ago and is a vice president of the Midwest Stock Exchange in Chicago.

Prospective nun's alimony must continue, judge rules

by BETTY LEE

A divorced woman preparing to be a nun in a Wisconsin convent will continue to receive alimony payments from her former husband, a circuit court judge ruled Monday, saying her circumstances had not changed sufficiently for alimony to be ended.

Sister Mary A. Lane, 48, a novice at the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary in Milwaukee, appeared in Cook County Circuit Court Monday and testified she needed the \$250-a-month alimony to pay for medical expenses. Dressed in a plain navy blue dress and with her hair wrapped in a scarf, she told the judge that the convent does not pay for these expenses until she takes her final vows.

Her former husband, James Lane, 1615 E. Central Rd., Arlington Heights, sought

to stop alimony payments because he said she has "remarried" the church.

A DECISION FROM JUDGE ROBERT L. HUNTER requires Lane to continue paying alimony to his former wife.

"In my opinion, there is not sufficient change of circumstances to reduce or eliminate alimony," Judge Hunter said.

The Lanes were divorced in 1970 after 20 years of marriage. Two years ago the former Mrs. Lane entered the convent of 18 members. Lane has remarried and has custody of one of their three children. A stepdaughter also resides with them.

Lane, a marketing representative for an insurance company in Chicago, testified he could not pay the alimony and stated he does not object to his former wife entering a convent.

"I simply can't afford to pay her," Lane said. "It's not because of her religious activity." He added that he will begin paying college expenses this fall for his stepdaughter, Suzanne.

Lane's present wife, Marguerite, told the judge that without her job, she and her husband would be unable to pay the bills. "I work to support my daughter, my husband, myself and to support Mary Lane," she said, adding that she sometimes works overtime at the laboratory where she is employed.

Lane's son, Scott, testified that he is employed full time and pays the family \$20 a week for room and board.

THERE ARE ONLY THREE MEMBERS OF THE CONVENT WHO RECEIVE MONEY FROM OUTSIDE THE ORDER, said Sister Mary Lane. She contended she needs approximately

\$180 a month to pay for clothing, traveling, medical, health and life insurance expenses even though she has \$5,000 in savings bonds.

A novice would be able to take her final vows after three to six years said Sister May Lane, adding that the alimony money does not go directly to the church. But after vows are taken, all expenses are absorbed by the convent.

In a summary presented to the judge, Lane's attorney, Edward D. Rosenberg, said there were two reasons for his client to stop paying alimony.

"First there has been a substantial change of circumstances," Rosenberg said. He explained that when the Lanes were divorced, Mrs. Lane worked as a nurse.

Rosenberg said that Sister Miriam, an official of the order, told him that Sister

Mary Lane would not be expelled from the Wisconsin convent if she no longer received money.

Rosenberg said that he was surprised by the verdict and thought that the judge would at least lower the alimony, if not eliminate it completely.

Rosenberg said he will file for an appeal.

"I FEEL STRONGLY that we should appeal," said Lane, 47. "I paid so much already. I offered a settlement of \$125 or half, but she wanted the full \$250. She said in court she only needed \$180."

Lane was recently transferred to his company's Los Angeles branch but said he will continue to fight the case.

Sister Mary Lane said that her fight for the alimony money was "justifiable." "I gave him 21 years of my life and paid for his education," she said.

The local scene

LWV meetings this week

Palatine League of Women Voters will have unit meetings Wednesday night and Thursday morning with the topic "Know Your League."

Board members will attend to answer questions about the league's workings for present and prospective members at the local, state and national level. Wednesday's meeting begins at 7:45 p.m. at 2086 Thorntree Ln., Palatine. The Thursday meeting is at 9:15 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Palatine, 800 E. Palatine Rd. Babysitting is provided at the Thursday session. More details are available by phoning Jean Peterson at 358-8731.

Chamber meeting

Energy problems for businesses will be the central issue at Wednesday's Palatine Chamber of Commerce and Industry meeting at the Greenhouse of Countryside restaurant, in the Countryside mall.

Guest speaker will be M. E. Halsey, division vice president for Northern Illinois Gas Co. Reservations may be made at the Chamber office, 101 S. Northwest Hwy., Palatine. The social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Trampoline lessons to begin Saturday

A new six-week session of trampoline lessons will begin Saturday for residents of the Salt Creek Park District. The classes will be open to children 4 through 13 years of age.

A new tumbling club will also meet on Saturdays. The club is open to children 8 years old and older. Instruction will center on advanced tumbling tricks and routines.

Adult trampoline lessons are also available starting Monday, April 29 from 8 to 9 p.m.

For further information or registration for any of the gymnastics programs, contact the district at 250-6000.

Senior citizen sessions

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Word by June on Army use of Nike site

by GREG KINZEWSKI
special to The Herald

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A top Army official said Monday he will know by June whether the Army will establish a reserve training center at the Arlington Heights Nike Base, or give up its 75 acres to the Arlington Heights Park District.

Eugene E. Berg, assistant secretary of the Army for installation and logistics, meeting with local park representatives, said he will look for an alternate to the Nike base, but cautioned the group not to be overly optimistic about getting the land.

Other possible locations for the reserve center are the Glenview Naval Air Base, Fort Sheridan or O'Hare Airport, he said.

"Berg said the Army will take an extremely hard, long look at all sides and do everything in its power to satisfy the community," Martin Cawley, a member

Youth 'good' after electrical shock

William Clifton, the 13-year-old Palatine youth who suffered a severe electrical shock Thursday was listed in good condition Monday at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights.

Clifton of 202 S. Elmwood Ave., Palatine, accidentally touched a live wire while attempting to retrieve an entangled kite string from a phone pole. The shock knocked him unconscious and caused severe burns before a circuit breaker cut off the flow of current.

The accident occurred at Kenilworth and Forest avenues.

Dog that bit boy still on the loose

Health officials are still searching for a black and white dog which bit a Palatine youth last week.

The dog is described as short-haired, 1 to 1½ feet tall. The incident occurred Wednesday on North Benton between Colfax Street and Comfort Lane.

Joe Prate, 15, of 441 N. Easy St., Palatine, was bitten on the left calf by the dog. Palatine animal warden Ed Campau has been searching the northern area of the village for the dog. Information about the dog should be phoned in to 358-7555.

Countryside appoints administrative aide

Eleanor Welz has been named administrative coordinator of Countryside Center for the Handicapped in Palatine.

Countryside serves handicapped children in a day care center and adults in a rehabilitation workshop.

As the new administrative coordinator, Miss Welz will supervise case work and consulting services, speech pathology programs, transportation, accounting, purchasing and maintenance of the Countryside buildings and grounds.

Youth, 17, charged with theft of cycle

A Palatine youth has been charged with the theft of a motorcycle from a Mount Prospect residence.

Mount Prospect police said Timothy W. Bagley, 17, of 1260 Winnetka St., stole the motorcycle from the front yard of the Joseph Braun residence, 711 N. Wilke St., Mount Prospect. The motorcycle recovered and Bagley's initial apprehension was made by Palatine police.

Bagley posted \$100 bond and will appear May 29 in the Mount Prospect branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

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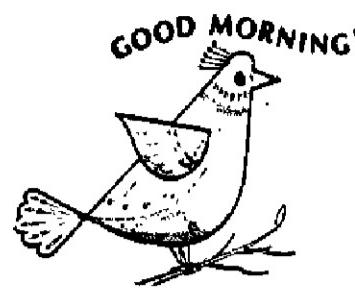
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House speaker expects backing of assembly, governor

Blair predicts death of or change in RTA

by STEVE FORSYTH

Illinois House Speaker W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, Monday predicted that amendments to alter or kill the Regional Transportation Authority will be passed by the General Assembly and signed by Gov. Daniel Walker.

At a series of suburban press conferences, Blair said he plans to introduce extensive amendments today, including a provision that would allow any county in the six-county RTA to withdraw by a majority vote of the county board, or the suburban county board members in Cook County.

Because he was a leading proponent of the RTA before the March 10 election, Blair's amendments took suburban legislators by surprise last week. He explained his about-face by saying his new position is a result of "listening to the will of the people."

Although his proposed amendments

could alter the RTA by eliminating objectionable points, RTA opponents believe the option of voting themselves out of the system would be accepted by all five outer counties and probably suburban Cook County, thereby killing the RTA despite the successful referendum.

BLAIR SAID elimination of the RTA does not eliminate the transportation problem in the area, and he said he is drafting legislation, to be explained in the next few days, that would provide a transportation plan for the entire state, excluding any counties that might remain in the RTA.

In a four-city press conference tour that included Wheaton, Joliet, Waukegan and Bartlett (near Elgin), Blair said the overwhelming "no" vote in the areas outside Chicago was not expected, but the high percentage against the RTA mandated that changes be made to make the regional plan more palatable to the suburban counties.

His amendments include changes that would:

- Eliminate RTA authority to levy a parking tax.
- Increase the size of the RTA board to give each county at least one member.
- Reduce the pay each board member would receive.
- Require public bidding on the sale of RTA bonds.
- Require that 100 per cent of taxes raised by the RTA in a given county be spent for services in that county.
- Extend protection from eminent domain to include parks and forest preserves.
- Prohibit any fare increases before July 1, 1975, to any carrier expecting RTA operating grants.

THE OPTION TO disconnect would go into effect upon a majority vote of each county board or the suburban Cook County board members, but if suburban Cook County withdrew, the entire RTA would be dissolved.

As for passage of the amendments, Blair said, "If Dan Walker is as sensitive to the people as I think he is, he will sign the bill. If the senators are as sensitive as they should be, they will give it the 30 votes it will need."

Asked if his amendments reflect his scramble to save his political future, since he represents a county that overwhelmingly defeated the referendum, Blair said he is just reacting to the wishes of the voters.

"The machine politics of the City of Chicago carried the day as it has so often in the past," Blair said. "A 12,970-vote margin of victory in an election in which over 1.3 million votes were cast convinces me that the present RTA is

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ILLINOIS HOUSE SPEAKER W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, lines up with suburban anti-RTA legislators as he explains his proposed amendments to alter the RTA and allow counties to withdraw from the new six-county organization.

Republican legislators appearing with him are, from left; Rep. Donald Toffen, Hoffman Estates; Sen. David Regner, Mount Prospect; Rep. Leo LaFleur, Bloomingdale, and Rep. Cal Skinner, Crystal Lake.

Meadows Trace repairs begun; suit to continue

Repairs have been performed on three of eight buildings in the Meadows Trace apartment complex cited in January for building code violations by Rolling Meadows officials.

City Sanitarian Donald Schindler said Monday the repairs performed on the buildings have been satisfactory, but city legal action against the complex's owner, the Kassuba Development Corporation, will persist to assure that all repairs are made.

The city filed suit in January against the corporation for failure to correct alleged building code violations at the complex. The violations, according to Schindler, have caused flooding and damp conditions in laundry and storage rooms at the complex. The conditions could cause short-circuiting and possible electrocution, Schindler has said.

In response to the city suit, the corporation has asked for a listing of the repairs being sought by the city. The listing is being sought in the form of a bill of particulars.

ACCORDING TO city consulting attorney Joseph Ladd, a response by Kassuba to the bill of particulars may forego the need to pursue the legal action. "It may be that once we can say this is where the flooding is and this is what needs to be done, we can work this out," he said Monday.

The city suit seeks an injunction calling for the corporation to complete repairs in eight buildings or else have those buildings vacated. Schindler has said the hazardous conditions at the buildings have existed since April, 1973 and some as long ago as September, 1970.

Legal action against the corporation has been stalled by a federal restraining order issued for the company in December when Kassuba filed for reorganization under the federal Bankruptcy Act. The restraining order bars creditors from seeking payment due them from Kassuba, but the corporation has sought to use the restraining order as a shield against the city suit.

Passage of the proposed \$3.9 million Rolling Meadows city budget for 1974-75 is expected to come tonight.

The record \$3,920,643 budget must be passed by the City Council before the start of the fiscal year May 1. A public hearing on the budget, also required by law, was held two weeks ago.

The proposal shows an expected increase in revenues projected for the city next year, but no tax increase is called for in the money package. A 25-cent city tax levy for the mental health fund and the police pension fund is included in the budget, but that levy in the past has been

abated by the council. The abatement is expected to be approved again later this year by the city council.

AN ATTEMPT TO include a new 10-cent tax levy in the budget to raise funds for the city sanitation program was vetoed by city aldermen two weeks ago. City Mgr. James Watson, the city's budget officer, had included the proposal because increasing costs for the residential garbage program have placed a bigger burden on city finances. The garbage program is presently provided free to homeowners.

The budget package reflects an increase of almost 14 per cent over the 1973-74 budget. Most of the increase is due to inflationary rises in service costs, the expected hiring of some 20 additional city employees and cost-of-living salary increases for employees.

Elected officials have not been given pay increases.

One new major category has been included in the budget, a central communications system which has been allotted \$100,000 in funds. The system will replace the individualized communications networks now used by the police, fire and public works departments. All city emergency communication will be handled by the new department.

MANPOWER INCREASES have also been slated in the police, fire and public works department. Six additional firemen are proposed in the budget, and two additional policemen, an additional service officer and several men for the public works department are also listed. An environmental health inspector is also scheduled for hiring.

Salary increases ranging from 13 per

cent to 18 per cent have been set for police, firemen and most public works employees while most secretarial help has been allotted an 8 per cent increase. Department heads have been given 13 per cent increases.

Almost \$4 million in revenues is expected to come to the city during the coming fiscal year, which is some 18 per cent higher than the \$3,273,600 collected this year.

The additional revenues are expected to come from an increase in the city's total assessed valuation from \$82 million to some \$100 million and additional sales tax revenue, federal revenue sharing funds, state income tax rebates, motor fuel tax funds and interests on investments.

The council meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the city hall.

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Although the final decision was made by Lutheran General's trustees, a task force of nurses, doctors, theologians and administrators studied the abortion issue since the Supreme Court ruled in January, 1973, that abortions are legal during the first six months of pregnancy. Abortion became legal in Illinois on March 1, 1973 although the state has the right to regulate abortions during the second trimester of pregnancy.

WYLIE SAID THE Supreme Court decision made the hospital reconsider its policy, but was not the reason for changing it. "The decision itself was prompted by our consideration of what the availability of our services should be to the community. We are not just approaching this willy-nilly. We are approaching this with the same seriousness as any service in a hospital," he said.

He said the new policy does not extend to the second trimester of pregnancy because of health risks involved. He said therapeutic abortions will continue to be performed during the second trimester.

The hospital's new abortion policy requires parental consent for a person un-

der 18 years old. The policy also states consent be obtained from both parties involved in the pregnancy whenever possible.

WYLIE SAID individual physicians will determine if a patient should be admitted for an abortion. The physician will decide what type of procedure will be performed. He said the hospital has no set costs for an abortion and that a patient would not necessarily have to stay overnight. The hospital will provide counseling both before and after the abortion.

Hospital personnel who do not want to participate in an abortion will be forced to. There are doctors willing to perform abortions and nurses willing to assist, Wylie said.

He said if a person calls the hospital requesting an abortion, she will be referred to a physician. He said he expects most people seeking abortions at the hospital will be middle-aged couples who have decided they do not want another child in the family.

Wylie stressed the policy is not in conflict with the statements of the American Lutheran Churches. The group's position states that each case should be considered individually, he said.

the city, was started almost a year ago, but weather delays and problems with the architect hired to oversee the project have hampered work progress on the park.

Supt. of Public Works John Hennessy last night told the committee the project's original architect, William Vaughn, has been released at his request from the project. Vaughn has not been paid by city officials, who became displeased with repeated delays in the project.

HENNESSY SAID a new landscape architect is being consulted for further park work, which is being performed by the public works department.

The city has already authorized the letting of bids for greenery, trees and landscaping to go into the park. Black dirt fill and soil grading have also begun. Hennessy told the committee he believed the project could be completed soon, and when committee members recommended the July 1 date, he concurred.

The park, presently marked only by a redwood lettered sign, is to be an adult park maintained by the city instead of the Rolling Meadows Park District.

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July 1 deadline set for Gateway Park

Salt Creek golf pass includes discount deal

Palatine Township residents who purchase a season golf pass from the Salt Creek Park District will be offered reduced rates on the golf course and driving range of the Arlington Park Towers Golf Course.

The district, in cooperation with the hotel, will allow pass holders to get discounts from 50 cents to \$1.25 on green fees and 50 cents off on a bucket of balls at the driving range.

Passes cost \$2.50 for residents and \$3.50 for nonresidents. Passes are valid from April 15 to Nov. 1 and may be purchased by calling the district at 259-6590 or in person at 530 S. Williams, Palatine.

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Prospective nun's alimony must continue, judge rules

by BETTY LEE

A divorced woman preparing to be a nun in a Wisconsin convent will continue to receive alimony payments from her former husband, a circuit court judge ruled Monday, saying her circumstances had not changed sufficiently for alimony to be ended.

Sister Mary A. Lane, 47, a novice at the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Retirement in Milwaukee, appeared in Cook County Circuit Court Monday and testified she needed the \$220-a-month alimony to pay for medical expenses. Dressed in a plain navy blue dress and with her hair wrapped in a scarf, she told the judge that the convent does not pay for these expenses until she takes her final vows.

Her former husband, James Lane, 1985 E. Central Rd., Arlington Heights, bought

to stop alimony payments because he said she has "remarried" the church.

A DECISION FROM Judge Robert L. Hunter requires Lane to continue paying alimony to his former wife.

"In my opinion, there is not sufficient change of circumstances to reduce or eliminate alimony," Judge Hunter said.

The Lanes were divorced in 1970 after 20 years of marriage. Two years ago the former Mrs. Lane entered the convent of 16 members. Lane has remarried and has custody of one of their three children. A step-daughter also resides with them.

Lane, a marketing representative for an insurance company in Chicago, testified he could not pay the alimony and stated he does not object to his former wife entering a convent.

"I simply can't afford to pay her," Lane said. "It's not because of her religious activity." He added that he will begin paying college expenses this fall for his stepdaughter, Suzanne.

Lane's present wife, Marguerite, told the judge that without her job, she and her husband would be unable to pay the bills. "I work to support my daughter, my husband, myself and to support Mary Lane," she said, adding that she sometimes works overtime at the laboratory where she is employed.

Lane's son, Scott, 16, attended that he is employed full time and pays the family \$20 a week for room and board.

THERE ARE ONLY three members of the convent who receive money from outside the order, said Sister Mary Lane. She contended she needs approximately

\$180 a month to pay for clothing, traveling, medical, health and life insurance expenses even though she has \$5,000 in savings bonds.

A novice would be able to take her final vows after three to six years said Sister May Lane, adding that the alimony money does not go directly to the church. But after vows are taken, all expenses are absorbed by the convent.

In a summary presented to the judge, Lane's attorney, Edward D. Rosenberg, said there were two reasons for his client to stop paying alimony.

"First there has been a substantial change of circumstances," Rosenberg said. He explained that when the Lanes were divorced, Mrs. Lane worked as a nurse.

Rosenberg said that Sister Miriam, an official of the order, told him that Sister

Mary Lane would not be expelled from the Wisconsin convent if she no longer received money.

Rosenberg said that he was surprised by the verdict and thought that the judge would at least lower the alimony, if not eliminate it completely.

Rosenberg said he will file for an appeal.

"I FEEL STRONGLY that we should appeal," said Lane, 47. "I paid so much already. I offered a settlement of \$125 or half, but she wanted the full \$220. She said in court she only needed \$100."

Lane was recently transferred to his company's Los Angeles branch but said he will continue to fight the case.

Sister Mary Lane said that her fight for the alimony money was "justifiable." "I gave him 21 years of my life and paid for his education," she said.

Decision in June on Army center at Nike site

by GREG KINCZEWSKI
special to The Herald

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A top Army of official said Monday he will know by June whether the Army will establish a reserve training center at the Arlington Heights Nike Base, or give up its 15 acres to the Arlington Heights Park District.

Emmett E. Berg, assistant secretary of the Army for installation and logistics, meeting with local park representatives, said he will look for an alternate to the Nike base but cautioned the group not to be overly optimistic about getting the land.

Other possible locations for the reserve center are the Glenview Naval Air Base, Fort Sheridan or O'Hare Airport, he said.

Berg said the Army will take an extremely hard, long look at all sites and do everything in its power to satisfy the community. Martin Cawley, a member of a citizens committee for utilization of the Nike base said after the meeting:

"But he warned us not to be overly optimistic, and said the reserves were also a part of the community," he added.

The Nike base is located at Central and New Wilke Road in Arlington Heights.

THE PARK DISTRICT has recently

acquired 52 acres of land at the Nike Base and is seeking the Army's 75 acres in order to develop a golf course on the property.

Bailey Goode, special assistant to Sen. Adlai E. Stevenson III, who originated the idea for Monday's meeting, said that Berg's viewpoint is similar to the Navy's attitude when it was deciding whether to build housing on the 52 acres it owned at the Nike site.

The Navy eventually abandoned its building plan and the property later was deeded surplus to the military.

Goode warned, however, that the Navy seemed to have more alternative sites than the Army now has.

If the Army decides to put the reserve center at the Nike Base, Berg said he would come to the village and personally explain the reasons for locating here.

If the park district is blocked from acquiring the land, it will proceed with a nine-hole golf course over the 52 acres.

Meeting with Berg in the office of Rep. Philip M. Crane, R-12th were Cawley and his fellow committee member Tom McDonnell; Tom Thornton, park district director; Katherine Muller, park district vice president; Crane, Goode and Ray Stofte, special assistant to Sen. Charles H. Percy, R-M.

Hearing today on parks budget

A public hearing on the \$655,325 Rolling Meadows Park District budget will be held at 7:10 p.m. today in the park district office, 1 Park Meadow Pl.

This year's budget, down 2 per cent from last year's \$661,600 budget, provides for additional programs with the exception of the spring and summer ice-skating programs which has been cut from six to two weeks.

Steve Person, superintendent of parks and recreation, said the decrease in spending is due primarily to cuts in the spring and summer ice skating program. He added that less money has been budgeted this year for the purchase of playground and recreational equipment.

Person said the tax rate would be only slightly affected by the decreases in spending. Any money left over at the end of the next fiscal year will be used to pay off \$100,000 in tax anticipation warrants. Tax anticipation warrants are loans issued to a taxing body on the basis of future anticipated revenue.

The local scene

Census takers needed

Census taker applications are available at the Rolling Meadows City Hall for persons interested in working on the city census planned for early May.

Some 70 persons will be needed to provide the 15 to 40 persons who will conduct the count. Applications will be given an aptitude test April 20 before the actual count begins May 1. Census takers will receive \$11 cents per name correctly recorded in the count. The census is expected to take about two weeks to conduct.

Pistol match set here

The Rolling Meadows Police Department's third annual statewide invitational pistol match will begin next weekend. Law enforcement officers from throughout the state are eligible to participate in the match, which will be conducted the next two weekends.

Competition will be in individual and team events and 101 trophies will be awarded.

PTA notes

The Anna Salt School PTA will present a spring music program and hobby walk today at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria, 1705 Pheasant Dr.

Students, teachers and parents will display hobby collections and craft items for the hobby walk. The concert features the Anna Salt Choral Club and the intermediate band.

Rolling Meadows paramedics will give a demonstration at the Pham Grove Junior High School PTA meeting, beginning at 7:10 p.m. today in the junior high, 26 W. Old Pham Grove Rd.

Trampoline lessons to begin Saturday

A new six-week session of trampoline lessons will begin Saturday for residents of the Salt Creek Park District. The classes will be open to children 4 through 11 years of age.

A new tumbling club will also meet on Saturdays. The club is open to children 8 years old and older. Instruction will center on advanced tumbling tricks and routines.

Adult trampoline lessons are also available starting Monday, April 29 from 8 to 9 p.m.

For further information or registration for any of the gymnastics programs, contact the district at 238-6290.



COLOR GUARDS PERFORMED precision routines in competition sponsored by the Rolling Meadows Color Guard Circuit at Rolling Meadows High School last weekend.

Forty-six color guards including the Trooper Cadets from Casper, Wyo., performed. The Arlington Heights Cadets acted as hosts for the event, but did not compete.

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Police link 8 in theft of stereo gear

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The arrests resulted from a detective division investigation of the burglary at Distribution International Inc. at 2350 Livley Blvd.

Burglary suspects are Michael J. Holman, 24, 1048 Algonquin Rd.; Herbert Banach, 24, of 1968 Algonquin Rd., both of Mount Prospect; and Gerald F. Schultz, 24, of 3040 Medill St., Chicago.

Holman and Schultz are free on \$2,500 bond and Banach, who was unable to post bond, is being held in Du Page County jail. All three must appear in Du Page County Circuit Court April 29 to answer the burglary charge.

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The suspects were released on \$1,750 bond and also must appear in the Du Page court April 29.

Elk Grove Village Police Lt. William Kohane said the detective division developed information leading to the arrests from information provided them by Cook County Sheriff's Police.

"Cook County police had information and serial numbers of stereos being sold and that information together with information from one of the suspects led to other arrests," said Kohane.

Arts, crafts display May 18
Persons wishing to receive a display space for the May 18 arts and crafts festival at the Rolling Meadows Shopping Center mall must contact the shopping center by Friday.

Anyone may reserve a space for the festival in order to display and sell their artwork. There are no fees for the festival. Spaces may be reserved by calling Phyllis Pezzell at 233-1234.

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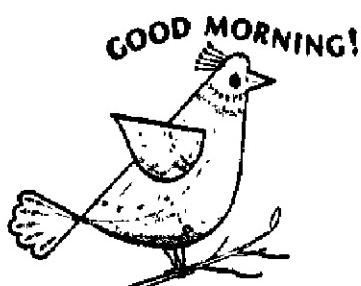
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House speaker expects backing of assembly, governor

Blair predicts death of or change in RTA

by STEVE FORSYTH

Illinois House Speaker W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, Monday predicted that amendments to alter or kill the Regional Transportation Authority will be passed by the General Assembly and signed by Gov. Daniel Walker.

At a series of suburban press conferences, Blair said he plans to introduce extensive amendments today, including a provision that would allow any county in the six-county RTA to withdraw by a majority vote of the county board, or the suburban county board members in Cook County.

Because he was a leading proponent of the RTA before the March 19 election, Blair's amendments took suburban legislators by surprise last week. He explained his about-face by saying his new position is a result of "listening to the will of the people."

Although his proposed amendments

could alter the RTA by eliminating objectionable points, RTA opponents believe the option of voting themselves out of the system would be accepted by all five outer counties and probably suburban Cook County, thereby killing the RTA despite the successful referendum.

BLAIR SAID elimination of the RTA does not eliminate the transportation problem in the area, and he said he is drafting legislation, to be explained in the next few days, that would provide a transportation plan for the entire state, excluding any counties that might remain in the RTA.

In a four-city press conference tour that included Wheaton, Joliet, Waukegan and Bartlett (near Elgin), Blair said the overwhelming "no" vote in the areas outside Chicago was not expected, but the high percentage against the RTA mandated that changes be made to make the regional plan more palatable to the suburban counties.

As for passage of the amendments, Blair said, "If Dan Walker is as sensitive to the people as I think he is, he will sign the bill. If the senators are as sensitive as they should be, they will give it the 30 votes it will need."

Asked if his amendments reflect his scramble to save his political future, since he represents a county that overwhelmingly defeated the referendum, Blair said he is just reacting to the wishes of the voters.

"The machine politics of the City of Chicago carried the day as it has so often in the past," Blair said. "A 12,978-vote margin of victory in an election in which over 1.3 million votes were cast convinces me that the present RTA is dissolved."

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ILLINOIS HOUSE SPEAKER W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, lines up with suburban anti-RTA legislators as he explains his proposed amendments to alter the RTA and allow counties to withdraw from the new six-county organization.

Republican legislators appearing with him are, from left: Rep. Donald Totten, Hoffman Estates; Sen. David Regner, Mount Prospect; Rep. Leo LaFleur, Bloomingdale, and Rep. Cal Skinner, Crystal Lake.

Village may sue builder if sure it can win case

by NANCY COWGER

Hoffman Estates officials have not rejected outright the urging they have to file a suit against Kaufman and Broad Inc., but the village is looking for "almost gold-plated" guarantees it would win.

Village Atty. Edward Hofert has conferred with John Ryan, attorney for his brother David H. Ryan, 110 Firestone Dr., Hoffman Estates, to review their strategy in a potential suit against the builder.

Kaufman and Broad bribed six former village officials for speedy zoning action for a high-density development in 1968. David Ryan has told the village if it does not file suit, he will do so in the village's behalf by June 1. Atty. Ryan intends to seek payment to individual village residents in compensation for damages allegedly suffered because of the development.

"I DON'T FEEL we should take any action unless we've thought it out carefully and feel we have a reasonable chance of success," said Hofert. Mayor Virginia Hayter commented Monday she believes Hofert will expect that "reasonable chance" to be an "almost gold-plated guarantee."

Two major factors argue against the village taking initiative in the lawsuit. One is time. Hofert said such a suit could have two objectives — to win money in a settlement or to carry the suit through full legal processes to establish precedents, or what would amount to new law. Without a settlement, Hofert said the case could conceivably be strung out over five years.

The village has just been released from one lengthy court battle, the controversy over the former Howie-In-The-Hills property, which has been settled. Still pending are civil rights actions by 28 former public works department employees fired last July and an appeal over

Specifics of the Community Hospital of Hoffman Estates will be the topic of a meeting of American Medicorp Development Co. officials and a doctors' facilities planning group to be held within 10 days.

"We want to emphasize that the hospital will provide pediatrics service, although there has not yet been any definitive decision as to whether a specific amount of space will be devoted to that department within the building," said Roger Rainville, a consultant for the Bala Cywyd, Pa., hospital planners.

A pediatrics unit was not included in the original design of the proposed 312-bed hospital, according to preliminary plans reviewed by the village hospital committee last week.

Young patients, however, would be housed in other appropriate areas of the hospital, according to Peter I. Bentivegna, vice-president of the development company.

INPUT FROM A group of local physicians working with the planners indicated no need for a specific pediatrics department, Bentivegna told the committee.

Rainville said he believes "the key is the doctors' reaction," which is expected during the meeting now being planned.

Local doctors' feelings were supported by William Silverman, administrator of Cook County Hospital, and former executive of the Hospital Planning Council for Metropolitan Chicago. Silverman said he is observing "less and less pediatrics business in hospitals."

"Pediatrics units are very expensive to operate," Silverman said, noting patients there must be fed and serviced more than adults. "In most cases, children can be cared for adequately with many conditions at home and at less risk than in a hospital," he continued, noting "most pediatricians try to keep children out of hospitals."

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Preliminary plans for the Hoffman Estates hospital show medical, surgical and obstetrical departments on four floors with ground level devoted to emergency and outpatient services plus six major operating rooms adjacent to intensive and coronary care facilities. Laboratory, pharmacy, radiology and other ancillary services, along with kitchen-dining areas, complete the first-floor area.

Construction, expected to begin next

fall, is expected to take approximately two years. Rainville said, "Originally, we thought it could be done in 18 months but have to play it safe, extended that period," he explained, noting the development company has not built in this part of the country before. "Weather, union contracts and other potential problems have been taken into consideration and we hope to complete the building as rapidly as possible," he said.

The firm has recently completed hospitals in Pompano Beach, Fla.; Webster, Tex. and Canoga Park, Calif.

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Mrs. Jensen described her three years of service as a trustee as memorable, and said she is "humbly grateful" for the experience. "From one who has been there, I wish you Godspeed," was her parting comment to fellow trustees.

Mayor Virginia Hayter said the resignation had not been anticipated.

Mrs. Hayter complimented Mrs. Jensen on her service as a trustee and "more importantly, her contributions to the life of the village," praising the innovative work of both committees chaired by the resigned trustee.

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Lutheran General to allow abortions to be performed

by KAREN BLECHA

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Such abortions will be allowed during the first three months of pregnancy, L.J. Wylie, vice president of Human Relations and Resources, said Monday. He said the decision was made by the hospital trustees in January, but has not yet been implemented. Currently the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is drawing up medical regulations for the new policy, which should be effective "in the near future."

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Women's softball meeting scheduled

A second organizational meeting for a Hoffman Estates Park District women's softball league will be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Vogelz Administration Center, 620 W. Higgins Rd.

Individual women as well as teams are encouraged to attend the meeting. There are at least 15 openings.

For further information call 885-7300.

Seminar on mental health Thursday

"Communications in Marriage — Breakdown and Repair" the third in a continuing series of seminars sponsored by the Elk Grove-Schaumburg Townships Mental Health Center, is scheduled for Thursday night.

Speaker at the seminar, which will be held in the Hoffman High School cafeteria will be Robert Powers, dean of students at the Alfred Adler Institute of Chicago.

Powers holds several advanced degrees from Yale University and the University of Chicago and is a psychologist who has developed many innovations in methods of counseling.

The free seminar will start at 7:30 p.m. at the school, 1100 W. Higgins Rd., Hoffman Estates.

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Schaumburg United Party is not suffering internal problems because of a sharp division in members' philosophy as reported in this column last month. At least that's what Village Clerk Sandy Carcello and Sylvia Parsons, who doubles as secretary to Mayor Robert O. Atcher and SUP, say.

SUP is as strong and united as ever, the ladies claim, with all 1,500 member families determined in their desire to keep the village free of national party control.

I think their assessment of things is accurate, as far as it goes. But, on the other hand, other sources close to SUP leadership clearly indicate some members would encourage extending party support to governmental units outside of the village itself.

These sources also say there is a strong possibility the name of at least one woman will be presented as a mayoral nominee at next fall's SUP convention. Though the sources refuse to

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final score, a spokesmother said, was Plungers 14, Mama's 7.

Chicago's Mt. Sinai Hospital's recent announcement of Northbrook as the site of a proposed branch hospital brings to mind the fact that hospital and its affiliated Chicago Medical School, moving to Downey, Ill., once considered Hoffman Estates as a potential site for relocation.

Phil Ossifer believes that if his absence from a meeting doesn't make any difference, neither does his presence.

Explorer Post 299
seeks new members

High school boys interested in camping or hiking are invited to join Explorer Post 299, which sponsors both activities throughout the year.

The post will present a slide program showing its activities for the past year for prospective members at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Vogelei Barn, 650 W. Higgins Rd., Hoffman Estates. Refreshments will be served.

The Post holds two campouts per month, and one "high adventure" campout per year. Membership is open to high school youths, with annual dues set at \$6.

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House speaker expects backing of assembly, governor

Blair predicts death of or change in RTA

by STEVE FORSYTH

Illinois House Speaker W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, Monday predicted that amendments to alter or kill the Regional Transportation Authority will be passed by the General Assembly and signed by Gov. Daniel Walker.

At a series of suburban press conferences, Blair said he plans to introduce extensive amendments today, including a provision that would allow any county in the six-county RTA to withdraw by a majority vote of the county board, or the suburban county board members in Cook County.

Because he was a leading proponent of the RTA before the March 19 election, Blair's amendments took suburban legislators by surprise last week. He explained his about-face by saying his new position is a result of "listening to the will of the people."

Although his proposed amendments

could alter the RTA by eliminating objectionable points, RTA opponents believe the option of voting themselves out of the system would be accepted by all five outer counties and probably suburban Cook County, thereby killing the RTA despite the successful referendum.

BLAIR SAID elimination of the RTA does not eliminate the transportation problem in the area, and he said he is drafting legislation, to be explained in the next few days, that would provide a transportation plan for the entire state, excluding any counties that might remain in the RTA.

In a four-city press conference tour that included Wheaton, Joliet, Waukegan and Bartlett (near Elgin), Blair said the overwhelming "no" vote in the areas outside Chicago was not expected, but the high percentage against the RTA mandated that changes be made to make the regional plan more palatable to the suburban counties.

His amendments include changes that would:

- Eliminate RTA authority to levy a parking tax.
- Increase the size of the RTA board to give each county at least one member.
- Reduce the pay each board member would receive.
- Require public bidding on the sale of RTA bonds.
- Require that 100 per cent of taxes raised by the RTA in a given county be spent for services in that county.
- Extend protection from eminent domain to include parks and forest preserves.
- Prohibit any fare increases before July 1, 1975, to any carrier expecting RTA operating grants.

THE OPTION TO disconnect would go into effect upon a majority vote of each county board or the suburban Cook County board members, but if suburban Cook County withdrew, the entire RTA would be dissolved.

As for passage of the amendments, Blair said, "If Dan Walker is as sensitive to the people as I think he is, he will sign the bill. If the senators are as sensitive as they should be, they will give it the 30 votes it will need."

Asked if his amendments reflect his scramble to save his political future, since he represents a county that overwhelmingly defeated the referendum, Blair said he is just reacting to the wishes of the voters.

"The machine politics of the City of Chicago carried the day as has so often in the past," Blair said. "A 12,979-vote margin of victory in an election in which over 1.3 million votes were cast convinces me that the present RTA is

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ILLINOIS HOUSE SPEAKER W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, lines up with suburban anti-RTA legislators as he explains his proposed amendments to alter the RTA and allow counties to withdraw from the new six-county organization.

Republican legislators appearing with him are, from left: Rep. Donald Toffen, Hoffman Estates; Sen. David Regner, Mount Prospect; Rep. Leo LaFleur, Bloomingdale, and Rep. Cal Skinner, Crystal Lake.

Teichert breaks silence; opposes buying Rob Roy

by MARCIA KRAMER

Mayor explains his opposition

Mayor Teichert gave nine chief reasons in defense of his stand that the village should not pursue purchase of the Rob Roy Golf Course. In summation:

* Rob Roy lies outside the village. "If there is a municipal purpose to be served, it is obvious there are other vacant properties more centrally located . . ."

* Purchase of land to control zoning "is not, in my opinion, a legitimate municipal function." Any purpose fabricated to justify such an expenditure of tax dollars would have to be applied to all vacant parcels in and around our community . . . Obviously, if there was an existing policy to buy land in order to prevent development there would be no Crystal Towers, Alpine, Huntington Commons, Mount Shire, Cottonwood, etc., and perhaps no Randhurst or Prospect Plaza. And if there is to be such a policy it must be applied to all future development potentials."

* Tax dollars must be spent for improvement of established services. "It is particularly disheartening to me to deny a few thousand dollars to Prospectus, our senior citizens, the historical society, or put off signification, street repair, sewer maintenance, etc., in preference to spending millions for land outside of our village. In short, the acquisition of Rob Roy would serve no existing municipal need and would certainly have a low-priority position."

* The village is not in the recreational business. "I cannot find justification for providing services already within the purview of existing park districts."

* Government by referendum "is not good. Each of us knows that we have the power without a referendum to increase taxes and buy Rob Roy . . . but we also know that such a move would be unpopular across the community."

* Referenda "inevitably split a community. The village would be in continual turmoil as various neighborhoods attempted to use a referendum to control zoning or save open space in their area."

* Spending tax dollars to buy Rob Roy "would precipitate a taxpayers' suit. Emotion aside, each of us would be hard pressed to articulate a municipal need that would be satisfied by this specific parcel of land."

* Condemnation has no basis. "I see no genuine municipal purpose that would support a condemnation of Rob Roy." Further, "we cannot condemn outside of our corporate limits except in very limited

Teichert referred to plans for a village-wide referendum to purchase the golf course in order to block apartment development as "absurd" and stated flatly: "I cannot, and would not, vote for the expenditure of tax dollars to buy Rob Roy, even if the referendum passes."

Purchase of property to prevent unwanted construction, the mayor said, "is not a municipal function, nor is it a proper exercise of our municipal powers." He suggested instead that area park districts, particularly the River Trails Park District, would be better suited to pursue the matter than the village.

The mayor's position paper, issued Monday, is the first public statement on Rob Roy by Teichert, who has announced board decisions after executive session meetings but has personally remained noncommittal.

The village board, of course, could outvote Teichert, and though as mayor he possesses veto power, the board could even override a veto by an extraordinary majority.

SHOULD THE VILLAGE board side with Teichert and reject a referendum, two possible courses of action could be followed: The village could compromise with Kenroy Inc., Skokie, allowing construction of some of the 4,500 apartment and condominium units the firm hopes to build there and leaving some of the property as open space; or the village could turn down the Kenroy plans entirely, forcing Kenroy to go to Cook County in an effort to rezone the property.

The 180-acre golf course and adjoining 20-acre driving range, which lies east of Wheeling Road between Camp McDonald Road and Euclid Avenue in unincorporated Wheeling Township, has been the subject of considerable public interest since Kenroy revealed plans Jan. 24 to build 4,500 apartment and condominium units there.

Numerous residents and organizations from both Mount Prospect and Prospect Heights vehemently opposed the development during public hearings before the village zoning board of appeals, which voted 4 to 2 on March 7 to recommend that the village board reject the Kenroy request to annex the chunk of property to the village with multi-family zoning.

The village board at first decided to poll the community on what it feels should be done with the golf course. Later, at Teichert's suggestion, the board decided to skip a poll and go straight to referendum on whether the village should buy the property to block development. The village board has gone so

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Budget approval seen tonight

The Mount Prospect Village Board tonight is expected to give final approval to the village's \$6,979,615 budget for 1974-75.

According to village officials, the budget, 6.8 per cent higher than the present budget, will not affect the village tax rate.

Also on the agenda tonight is discussion of the controversial compromise decision to allow construction of 80 condominium units at the northwest corner of River and Camp McDonald roads in northeast Mount Prospect. A legal opinion on whether a two-thirds or simple majority vote of the board was required in that case is expected to be available, however, as of late Monday afternoon, the opinion had not been completed.

The meeting is at 8 p.m. in the village hall, 412 E. Northwest Hwy.

Boy hit by auto in 'good' condition

Three-year-old Patrick LaBolle, 1428 Fern Dr., Mount Prospect, remained in good condition Monday at Northwest Community Hospital after being struck by a car Saturday near his home.

Mount Prospect police said Patrick was hit by a car driven by Joann S. Fendius, 36, of 1425 S. Fern Dr., as the car was being backed out of a driveway. Mrs. Fendius told police she was aware of children playing behind the car and had waited until they moved.

Patrick, however, did not move, police said, and he was still behind the car when Mrs. Fendius began backing up. No charges have been filed.

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Partly sunny

TODAY: Partly sunny and cool. High in mid-50s. Turning cooler towards evening.

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny, not much temperature change. High in upper 50s. Map on Page 2.

Lutheran General to allow abortions to be performed

by KAREN BLECHA

Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge is the first hospital in the Northwest suburbs to allow its doctors to use hospital facilities to perform non-therapeutic abortions.

Such abortions will be allowed during the first three months of pregnancy, L.J. Wylie, vice president of Human Relations and Resources, said Monday. He said the decision was made by the hospital trustees in January, but has not yet been implemented. Currently the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is drawing up medical regulations for the new policy, which should be effective "in the near future."

Wylie stressed the new policy is not abortion on demand. To get an abortion at the hospital, a patient must be admitted by a physician on the staff.

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WYLIE SAID THE Supreme Court decision made the hospital reconsider its policy, but was not the reason for changing it. "The decision itself was prompted by our consideration of what the availability of our services should be to the community. We are not just approaching this willy-nilly. We are approaching this with the same seriousness as any service in a hospital," he said.

He said the new policy does not extend to the second trimester of pregnancy because of health risks involved. He said

therapeutic abortions will continue to be performed during the second trimester.

The hospital's new abortion policy requires parental consent for a person under 18 years old. The policy also states consent be obtained from both parties involved in the pregnancy whenever possible.

He said if a person calls the hospital requesting an abortion, she will be referred to a physician. He said he expects most people seeking abortions at the hospital will be middle-aged couples who have decided they do not want another child in the family.

Wylie stressed the policy is not in conflict with the statements of the American Lutheran Churches. The group's position states that each case should be considered individually, he said.

Holloway named to head Dist. 57 school board

William Holloway was elected president of the Dist. 57 school board last night. Holloway succeeds Robert Novy, who served as board president for the past two years.

The board reorganization took place following the official canvass of the April 13 school board election. Official results showed incumbents Robert Novy and Edith Freund the winners in the race with 235 and 179 votes, respectively.

Arthur Vogelgesang, who along with Novy and Mrs. Freund was endorsed by the Dist. 57 Caucus, received 82 votes. Several write-in votes for other candidates were also recorded.

NEW COMMITTEE assignments were also announced at the meeting. Mrs. Freund will remain the district's representative to the Northwest Educational Cooperative, a position she also held this year. Novy will head the board's negotiation committee and David Khudal will chair the finance committee.

The board placed a stipulation on the contract asking the administration to contact the company to see if a better rate can be negotiated. The company bases its prices on average daily attendance at the junior high, where the towels will be used, rather than on actual towel usage.

Prospective nun's alimony must continue, judge rules

by BETTY LEE

A divorced woman preparing to be a nun in a Wisconsin convent will continue to receive alimony payments from her former husband, a circuit court judge ruled Monday, saying her circumstances had not changed sufficiently for alimony to be ended.

Sister Mary A. Lane, 48, a novice at the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary in Milwaukee, appeared in Cook County Circuit Court Monday and testified she needed the \$250-a-month alimony to pay for medical expenses. Dressed in a plain navy blue dress and with her hair wrapped in a scarf, she told the judge that the convent does not pay for these expenses until she takes her final vows.

Her former husband, James Lane, 1605 E. Central Rd., Arlington Heights, sought

to stop alimony payments because he said she has "remarried" the church.

A DECISION FROM Judge Robert L. Hunter requires Lane to continue paying alimony to his former wife.

"In my opinion, there is not sufficient change of circumstances to reduce or eliminate alimony," Judge Hunter said.

The Lanes were divorced in 1970 after 20 years of marriage. Two years ago the former Mrs. Lane entered the convent of 16 members. Lane has remarried and has custody of one of their three children. A stepdaughter also resides with them.

Lane, a marketing representative for an insurance company in Chicago, testified he could not pay the alimony and stated he does not object to his former wife entering a convent.

"I simply can't afford to pay her," Lane said. "It's not because of her religious activity." He added that he will begin paying college expenses this fall for his stepdaughter, Suzanne.

Lane's present wife, Marguerite, told the judge that without her job, she and her husband would be unable to pay the bills. "I work to support my daughter, my husband, myself and to support Mary Lane," she said, adding that she sometimes works overtime at the laboratory where she is employed.

Lane's son, Scott, testified that he is employed full time and pays the family \$20 a week for room and board.

THERE ARE ONLY three members of the convent who receive money from outside the order, said Sister Mary Lane. She contended she needs approximately

\$180 a month to pay for clothing, traveling, medical, health and life insurance expenses even though she has \$5,000 in savings bonds.

A novice would be able to take her final vows after three to six years said Sister Mary Lane, adding that the alimony money does not go directly to the church. But after vows are taken, all expenses are absorbed by the convent.

In a summary presented to the judge, Lane's attorney, Edward D. Rosenberg, said there were two reasons for his client to stop paying alimony.

"First there has been a substantial change of circumstances," Rosenberg said. He explained that when the Lanes were divorced, Mrs. Lane worked as a nurse.

Rosenberg said that Sister Miriam, an official of the order, told him that Sister

Mary Lane would not be expelled from the Wisconsin convent if she no longer received money.

Rosenberg said that he was surprised by the verdict and thought that the judge would at least lower the alimony, if not eliminate it completely.

Rosenberg said he will file for an appeal.

"I FEEL STRONGLY that we should appeal," said Lane, 47. "I paid so much already. I offered a settlement of \$125 or half, but she wanted the full \$250. She said in court she only needed \$180."

Lane was recently transferred to his company's Los Angeles branch but said he will continue to fight the case.

Sister Mary Lane said that her fight for the alimony money was "justifiable." "I gave him 21 years of my life and paid for his education," she said.

Police wrapup

Speed chase leads to eight tickets

A Des Plaines man was given eight traffic tickets Friday night after he led Mount Prospect police on a high-speed automobile chase along Lincoln and Maple streets.

Police said Monday that Michael W. Baker, 22, of 130 N. 3rd Ave., was first spotted about 10:30 p.m. Friday going north on Elmhurst Road, allegedly exceeding the posted 35 mph speed limit. A police patrol car gave chase and Baker's auto, reports said, continued to pull away from the police car, even though the police were doing 70 mph.

When Baker turned right onto Lincoln Street, he allegedly disregarded a stop sign and then the muffler and tail pipe fell off his car. The following patrol car had to swerve to avoid hitting the debris, police said.

POLICE SAID Baker ignored two more stop signs before turning north onto Maple Street. By then, other police cars were in position and Baker had to turn into the municipal parking lot where he was arrested.

Baker was charged with speeding, improper lane usage, improper muffler, attempting to elude police, three separate instances of failure to stop for stop signs and having open liquor in a vehicle. Police said one open can of beer, one empty can and four closed cans were found in the car.

Baker was released on \$50 bond, pending his appearance June 5 in the Mount Prospect branch of Cook County Circuit Court. Four passengers in the car, all from Des Plaines, were not charged.

Security guard arrested

An off-duty Illinois County security guard was charged with disorderly conduct Saturday night, after he allegedly displayed a .38 cal revolver in the lounge of the Striking Bowling Lanes, 1030 S. Elmhurst Rd.

Arrested was Raymond E. Stark, 23, of 734 S. McKinley Ave., Arlington Heights. He posted \$25 bond after the 11:10 p.m. incident. He is to appear May 8 in the Mount Prospect branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

'Lewd gesture' claimed

An 18-year-old Villa Park man was arrested for disorderly conduct early Sunday, after he allegedly made a "lewd gesture with his left hand" at a passing Mount Prospect policeman.

Police said Paul Ruff was northbound on Elmhurst Road when the incident occurred. Ruff posted \$25 bond and will appear May 29 in the Mount Prospect branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

B-B gun incident

An Evanston man was charged with aggravated assault Saturday, after he pointed a B-B gun at another motorist, police said.

Mount Prospect police said the gun was pointed at Gregory J. Flick, 1106 S. Wilke Rd., Arlington Heights, by Michael Sandman, 20, of Evanston. The incident occurred on Northwest Highway at Emerson Street about 8:15 p.m.

According to police, Flick, who thought the B-B gun was a 22 cal. automatic pistol, had gone up to Sandman's truck, while the truck was stopped for a red light. Flick, police said, was going to protest Sandman's honking and flashing his lights at Flick's vehicle earlier.

Sandman posted \$100 bond and will appear May 8 in the Mount Prospect branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

Theft, battery are charged

A person was charged with battery Friday, after he allegedly struck a Montgomery Ward store security guard inside the Randhurst Shopping Center mall.

Thomas J. Blasi, 22, also was charged with theft. He allegedly stole a \$23 hair styler-dryer from the department store. The altercation occurred when the security agent arrested Blasi. Blasi was with four companions, one of whom, police said, was impersonating a woman. None of the four were charged.

Blasi posted \$100 bond and is scheduled to appear May 15 in the Mount Prospect branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

'Artist' hit by vandalism

Vandalism was charged against a 14-year-old Mount Prospect boy who, police said, was using silver paint Sunday to spray names on the Aspen Park tennis courts. The youth, a seventh-grade student at Holmes Junior High School, was arrested at 2:20 p.m. and his case has been referred to the police juvenile division. The tennis courts are part of the Mount Prospect Park District.

Bedrooms ransacked

Burglars entered the Theodore Johnsen residence, 1917 Wood Ln., through a bathroom window sometime Thursday night and ransacked three bedrooms. Police said it is unknown what, if anything, was stolen.

The burglary occurred between 9 p.m. Thursday and 12:30 p.m. Friday, when it was discovered.

Motorcycle theft

A Palatine youth has been charged with the theft of a motorcycle from a Mount Prospect residence.

Mount Prospect police said Timothy W. Bagley, 17, of 1280 Winnetka St., stole the motorcycle from the front yard of the Joseph Braun residence, 711 N. Wille St., Mount Prospect. The motorcycle recovery and Bagley's initial apprehension was made by Palatine police.

Bagley posted \$100 bond and will appear May 28 in the Mount Prospect branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

Teichert opposes purchase of Rob Roy Golf Course

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far as to order two appraisals of the golf course, which has generally been estimated at being worth \$8 to \$9 million in preparation of the referendum.

TEICHERT. IN his statement, proposed that the appraisals be turned over to the River Trails Park District "for their use, should their constituents find a need to acquire this additional recreational space." However, if a majority of the village board members still want to pursue village purchase of the property "in order to serve an identified need," Teichert said, "I will propose a bond issue for that purpose."

His statement made clear that he personally would oppose a bond issue. "This board has done all that it can to foster a public policy opposed to multi-family developments. To ask us to enter into a policy of buying land to prevent such developments is absurd. Those who seek to establish this type of control over land have many avenues they can pursue which are more proper and less expensive. We cannot neglect the real needs of our village nor subvert our municipal purposes in continual pursuit of this emotional will-of-the-wisp."

"So far as I am concerned, I am prepared to terminate the emotion of Rob

Mayor explains his opposition

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ed cases, and only as a last resort to meet the specific need recited."

• Roy Roy is becoming "an emotional issue good only for the game of politics. The longer the village board permits Rob Roy to exist as a divisive factor for the community, the more intense the politics will become. Charges of dealings, payoffs and undoubtedly the threat of lawsuits will keep our community in a state of chaos."

Roy It is not a part of Mount Prospect and it need not be. It is not our problem and does not have to be. We do not have to take on the obligations of Rob Roy for the benefit of the entire northwest suburban area or a specific neighborhood. There are other forums and other agencies with a direct interest and with all the powers we have who can more properly resolve the matter of Rob Roy."

Schaumburg man charged in stereo theft case

Elk Grove Police arrested three men for burglary and five others for possession of stolen goods Sunday, recovering \$4,500 worth of stereo equipment from a March 19 burglary in Elk Grove Village.

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Trailer fire causes damages of \$6,000

A kitchen garbage fire caused an estimated \$6,000 damage Monday morning at a trailer in the Willoway Terrace Trailer Park.

Mount Prospect firemen, who put out the 9:37 a.m. fire, said most of the damage was confined to the kitchen area, although there was smoke damage throughout. Of the damage amount, \$2,000 was to contents of the trailer, owned by Norman Godwin, 20 Oak St.

Firemen said the probable cause of the fire was the misuse of smoking materials.

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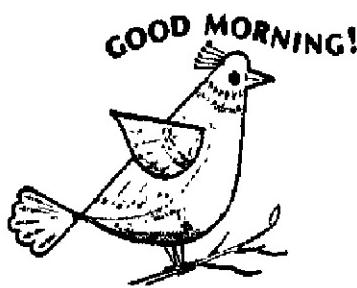
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House speaker expects backing of assembly, governor

Blair predicts death of or change in RTA

by STEVE FORSYTH

Illinois House Speaker W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, Monday predicted that amendments to alter or kill the Regional Transportation Authority will be passed by the General Assembly and signed by Gov. Daniel Walker.

At a series of suburban press conferences, Blair said he plans to introduce extensive amendments today, including a provision that would allow any county in the six-county RTA to withdraw by a majority vote of the county board, or the suburban county board members in Cook County.

Because he was a leading proponent of the RTA before the March 19 election, Blair's amendments took suburban legislators by surprise last week. He explained his about-face by saying his new position is a result of "listening to the will of the people."

Although his proposed amendments

could alter the RTA by eliminating objectionable points, RTA opponents believe the option of voting themselves out of the system would be accepted by all five outer counties and probably suburban Cook County, thereby killing the RTA despite the successful referendum.

BLAIR SAID elimination of the RTA does not eliminate the transportation problem in the area, and he said he is drafting legislation, to be explained in the next few days, that would provide a transportation plan for the entire state, excluding any counties that might remain in the RTA.

In a four-city press conference tour that included Wheaton, Joliet, Waukegan and Bartlett (near Elgin), Blair said the overwhelming "no" vote in the areas outside Chicago was not expected, but the high percentage against the RTA mandated that changes be made to make the regional plan more palatable to the suburban counties.

His amendments include changes that would:

- Eliminate RTA authority to levy a parking tax.
- Increase the size of the RTA board to give each county at least one member.
- Reduce the pay each board member would receive.
- Require public bidding on the sale of RTA bonds.
- Require that 100 per cent of taxes raised by the RTA in a given county be spent for services in that county.
- Extend protection from eminent domain to include parks and forest preserves.
- Prohibit any fare increases before July 1, 1975, to any carrier expecting RTA operating grants.

THE OPTION TO DISCONNECT would go into effect upon a majority vote of each county board or the suburban Cook County board members, but if suburban Cook County withdrew, the entire RTA would be dissolved.

As for passage of the amendments, Blair said, "If Dan Walker is as sensitive to the people as I think he is, he will sign the bill. If the senators are as sensitive as they should be, they will give it the 30 votes it will need."

Asked if his amendments reflect his scramble to save his political future, since he represents a county that overwhelmingly defeated the referendum, Blair said he is just reacting to the wishes of the voters.

"The machine politics of the City of Chicago carried the day as it has so often in the past," Blair said. "A 12,979-vote margin of victory in an election in which over 1.3 million votes were cast convinces me that the present RTA is

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ILLINOIS HOUSE SPEAKER W. Robert Blair, R-Park Forest, lines up with suburban anti-RTA legislators as he explains his proposed amendments to alter the RTA and allow counties to withdraw from the new six-county organization.

Republican legislators appearing with him are, from left; Rep. Donald Totten, Hoffman Estates; Sen. David Regner, Mount Prospect; Rep. Leo LaFleur, Bloomingdale, and Rep. Cal Skinner, Crystal Lake.

Decision in June on Army center at Nike site

by GREG KINCZEWSKI
special to The Herald

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A top Army official said Monday he will know by June whether the Army will establish a reserve training center at the Arlington Heights Nike Base, or give up its 75 acres to the Arlington Heights Park District.

Eugene E. Berg, assistant secretary of the Army for installation and logistics, meeting with local park representatives, said he will look for an alternate to the Nike base, but cautioned the group not to be overly optimistic about getting the land.

Other possible locations for the reserve center are the Glenview Naval Air Base, Fort Sheridan or O'Hare Airport, he said.

"Berg said the Army will take an extremely hard, long look at all sides and do everything in its power to satisfy the community," Martin Cawley, a member of a citizens committee for utilization of the Nike Base, said after the meeting.

"But he warned us not to be over optimistic and said the reserves were also a part of the community," he added.

The Nike base is located at Central and New Wilke Road in Arlington Heights.

THE PARK DISTRICT has recently

acquired 52 acres of land at the Nike Base and is seeking the Army's 75 acres in order to develop a golf course on the property.

Barry Goode, special assistant to Sen. Adlai E. Stevenson, D-Ill., who originated the idea for Monday's meeting, said that Berg's viewpoint is similar to the Navy's attitude when it was deciding whether to build housing on the 52 acres it owned at the Nike site.

The Navy eventually abandoned its building plan and the property later was sold surplus to the military.

Goode warned, however, that the Navy seemed to have more alternative sites than the Army now has.

If the Army decides to put the reserve center at the Nike Base, Berg said he would come to the village and personally explain the reasons for locating here.

If the park district is blocked from acquiring the land, it will proceed with a nine-hole golf course over the 52 acres.

Meeting with Berg in the office of Rep. Phillip M. Crane, R-12th, were: Cawley and his fellow committee member Tom McDonnell; Tom Thornton, park district director; Katherine Muller, park district vice president; Crane, Goode and Ray McRae, special assistant to Sen. Charles H. Percy, R-Ill.

A group of Arlington Heights apartment owners Monday night raised some objections to a proposed ordinance that would require smoke detectors in every apartment unit.

The informal coalition of building owners, managers and their attorneys questioned the cost of life-saving capabilities of the smoke detection systems being considered by the village board's legal committee.

The ordinance has been recommended by the Arlington Heights Fire Department and an outside consultant, Richard H. Solomon, has been retained to draft a model ordinance.

"AN ALARM SYSTEM does not provide a means of escaping from a burning building. If a hallway is obstructed, an alarm is not going to save anybody's life," said John F. Connell, who told the committee he had investigated several hundred fatal fires in the New York area.

Smoke detectors probably would not save lives in the four most common cases of fire fatalities, he said, listing smoking in bed, an unsupervised child, explosion and child clothing fires as the most common killers.

The committee also discussed, without resolution, whether smoke detectors should be required in single-family homes, either new or existing.

In endorsing the home smoke detectors, which would cost about \$50, Hayden said the units almost certainly would have saved the lives of the seven members of the Robert Schaeag family who died in a fire at their home on Christmas Eve, 1971, and the 3½-year-old twins Mark and Michael Fink killed in a fire in May, 1972.

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The heat and smoke detectors are designed to alert apartment occupants, or homeowners of a fire that might otherwise go undetected, particularly at night.

But some apartment owners, and a fire investigator from New York City last night questioned the value of the detection devices.

Various representatives of companies who sell the detectors agreed that an approximate cost of installing them would be about \$100 per apartment unit.

However, one attorney, Joseph Bernstein, warned that installation of the equipment would not be a "penny job."

The committee agreed to send copies of the model ordinance, when it is drafted, to all the interested landlords and then schedule another meeting on the proposal.

Lutheran General to allow abortions to be performed

by KAREN BLECHA

Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge is the first hospital in the North-west suburbs to allow its doctors to use hospital facilities to perform non-therapeutic abortions.

Such abortions will be allowed during the first three months of pregnancy, L.J. Wylie, vice president of Human Relations and Resources, said Monday. He said the decision was made by the hospital trustees in January, but has not yet been implemented. Currently the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is drawing up medical regulations for the new policy, which should be effective "in the near future."

Wylie stressed the new policy is not abortion on demand. To get an abortion at the hospital, a patient must be admitted by a physician on the staff.

"WE ARE NOT setting up an abortion clinic. We are trying to deal with providing a service," he said.

Lutheran General is the first hospital in the area to change its abortion policy. Previously, the hospital performed abortions only if the mother's life was in danger. Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights performs abortions only if the mother's health is endanger-

ed. Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove Village, and Holy Family Hospital in Des Plaines do not perform abortions at all.

Although the final decision was made by Lutheran General's trustees, a task force of nurses, doctors, theologians and administrators studied the abortion issue since the Supreme Court ruled in January, 1973, that abortions are legal during the first six months of pregnancy. Abortions became legal in Illinois on March 1, 1973 although the state has the right to regulate abortions during the second trimester of pregnancy.

WYLIE SAID THE Supreme Court decision made the hospital reconsider its policy, but was not the reason for changing it. "The decision itself was prompted by our consideration of what the availability of our services should be to the community. We are not just approaching this willy-nilly. We are approaching this with the same seriousness as any service in a hospital," he said.

He said the new policy does not extend to the second trimester of pregnancy because of health risks involved. He said therapeutic abortions will continue to be performed during the second trimester.

The hospital's new abortion policy re-

quires parental consent for a person under 18 years old. The policy also states consent be obtained from both parties involved in the pregnancy whenever possible.

WYLIE SAID individual physicians will determine if a patient should be admitted for an abortion. The physician will decide what type of procedure will be performed. He said the hospital has no set costs for an abortion and that a patient would not necessarily have to stay overnight. The hospital will provide counseling both before and after the abortion.

Hospital personnel who do not want to participate in an abortion will not be forced to. There are doctors willing to perform abortions and nurses willing to assist, Wylie said.

He said if a person calls the hospital requesting an abortion, she will be referred to a physician. He said he expects most people seeking abortions at the hospital will be middle-aged couples who have decided they do not want another child in the family.

Wylie stressed the policy is not in conflict with the statements of the American Lutheran Churches. The group's position states that each case should be considered individually, he said.

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by BETTY LEE

A divorced woman preparing to be a nun in a Wisconsin convent will continue to receive alimony payments from her former husband, a circuit court judge ruled Monday, saying her circumstances had not changed sufficiently for alimony to be ended.

Sister Mary A. Lane, 48, a novice at the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary in Milwaukee, appeared in Cook County Circuit Court Monday and testified she needed the \$250-a-month alimony to pay for medical expenses. Dressed in a plain navy blue dress and with her hair wrapped in a scarf, she told the judge she had investigated several hundred fatal fires in the New York area.

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stated he does not object to his former wife entering a convent.

"I simply can't afford to pay her," Lane said. "It's not because of her religious activity." He added that he will begin paying college expenses this fall for his stepdaughter, Suzanne.

Lane's present wife, Marguerite, told the judge that without her job, she and her husband would be unable to pay the bills. "I work to support my daughter, my husband, myself and to support Mary Lane," she said, adding that she sometimes works overtime at the laboratory where she is employed.

Lane's son, Scott, testified that he is employed full time and pays the family \$20 a week for room and board.

THERE ARE ONLY three members of

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Successful vegetable gardening will be the topic of a workshop presented by William Whiteside, agricultural senior extension advisor for Cook County.

The workshop, sponsored by the Arlington Heights Park District, will be held May 1 at 7:30 p.m. at Pioneer Park, 500 S. Fernandez.

The program, primarily planned for those with plots at the garden park, Belmont Avenue and Council Trail, is open to the public at no charge. The plant-in at the park is scheduled May 11.

Police pledge to ticket bicyclists for 'flagrant violations'

by JOE SWICKARD

Warm weather brings out the bicyclists and the Arlington Heights police department will be watching.

According to Sgt. J. L. Plaisted of the traffic division, riders will receive tickets for "flagrant violations" of traffic laws.

He said policemen are continuing the enforcement program initiated last year to cut down on potentially dangerous situations created by reckless riders.

Last summer three bike riders died in accidents. All the riders, police said, were in violation of traffic regulations when the mishaps occurred.

THE TICKETS will be written up on the same form used for parking violations. Plaisted said. The tickets will carry a monetary fine, he said.

The tickets were issued last year for violations such as ignoring stop signs, riding on the wrong side of the street or traveling the wrong direction on a one-way street.

Under last year's guidelines, parents could be held responsible for some violations of their children. Riding after curfew or operating a bicycle without proper lights were two violations that fell into the parental control category.

Other violations, outside parental juris-

diction, such as running stop signs, would be the responsibility of the young rider, police said.

Minor infractions could be dealt with through oral or written warnings by officers.

THE TICKETS and warnings would be issued, Plaisted said, to both juvenile and adult riders.

Plaisted emphasized, however, the tickets would only be issued in cases of extreme violations. He said it would be difficult for policemen to ticket each individual traffic violation by a bike rider.

A ticket-writing campaign several years ago was abandoned, police said,

because it was not backed by the courts or the residents. Persons who were ticketed claimed they were being "picked on" by police who should be "catching crooks," police said of the earlier effort.

The enforcement is only part of the police bicycle safety program. "Officer Friendly" (policeman Wally Mois) conducts bike safety class in elementary and junior high schools.

THE ARLINGTON Heights Junior Woman's Club, in cooperation with the Arlington Heights Park District, sponsors "Safety Town" during the summer. The classes, for preschoolers, are de-

signed to teach the basics of traffic safety and awareness.

Another step for bike safety was taken when the village established an official bicycle route, in the central part of town between Rand Road and Northwest Highway.

The route, a compromise between bicycle club proposals and one favored by the police department, is marked by green and white signs. The signs are designed to alert motorists to a possible increase in bicycle traffic on those streets. Bicycles are not restricted to just those streets.

Arlington High grad awarded state stipend

Julie Nicols, a January graduate of Arlington High School, is a recipient of the Legislative State Scholarship sponsored by the General Assembly in Springfield. Miss Nicols was awarded the one-year scholarship based on the recommendation given by State Rep. Donald L. Totten, R-Hoffman Estates.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore G. Nicols of 101 S. Mitchell, Arlington Heights, Miss Nicols will attend the University of Illinois in Urbana and plans to study medicine.

She was a National Honor Society student for the past two years and is a student council member. Miss Nicols also served as senior class board president and was appointed a student officer to the village's youth commission.

Cited in Who's Who Among American High school students, Miss Nicols was active in the powder puff football team and Orchestra, a modern dance group. She was selected by students for the homecoming court.

Charge security agent in gun incident

An off-duty Illinois County security guard was charged with disorderly conduct Saturday night after he allegedly displayed a .38 caliber revolver in the lounge of the Striking Bowling Lanes, 1030 S. Elmhurst Rd., Mount Prospect.

Arrested was Raymond E. Stark, 27, of 724 S. McKinley Ave., Arlington Heights. He posted \$25 bond and is to appear May 8 in the Mount Prospect branch of Cook County Circuit Court.

'Walk' planned May 4

The North Area Campus Life of Arlington Heights is planning a Walk-A-Thon May 4 to raise funds for the organization.

High school students, sponsored by interested adults, will work seven hours on spring cleaning throughout town. Anyone interested in working by these students may call 259-5144.



Marching along together

COLOR GUARDS performed precision routines in competition sponsored by the Midwest Color Guard Circuit at Rolling Meadows High

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the convent who receive money from outside the order, said Sister Mary Lane. She contended she needs approximately \$100 a month to pay for clothing, traveling, medical, health and life insurance expenses even though she has \$6,000 in savings bonds.

A novice would be able to take her final vows after three to six years said Sister May Lane, adding that the alimony money does not go directly to the church. But after vows are taken, all expenses are absorbed by the convent.

Rosenberg said that he was surprised by the verdict and thought that the judge would at least lower the alimony, if not

sold there were two reasons for his client to stop paying alimony.

"First there has been a substantial change of circumstances," Rosenberg said. He explained that when the Lanes were divorced, Mrs. Lane worked as a nurse.

Rosenberg said that Sister Miriam, an official of the order, told him that Sister Mary Lane would not be expelled from the Wisconsin convent if she no longer received money.

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eliminate it completely.

Rosenberg said he will file for an appeal.

"I FEEL STRONGLY that we should appeal," said Lane, 47. "I paid so much already. I offered a settlement of \$125 or half, but she wanted the full \$250. She said in court she only needed \$180."

Lane was recently transferred to his company's Los Angeles branch but said he will continue to fight the case.

Sister Mary Lane said that her fight for the alimony money was "justifiable." "I gave him 21 years of my life and paid for his education," she said.

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